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Ash Wednesday	,,	26
St. David's Day	March	1
St. Patrick's Day	,,	17
Good Friday	April	11
Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)	,,	14
Summer Time Commences	,,	20
St. George's Day	,,	23
Royal Academy Opens	May	5
Ascension Day	,,	22
Empire Day	,,	24
H.M. Queen Mary's Birthday	,,	26
Whit Monday (Bank Holiday)	June	2
H.M. The Queen's Birthday	August	4
Bank Holiday	,,	4
Royal Academy Closes	,,	9
Grouse Shooting begins	,,	12
Partridge Shooting begins	Sept.	1
Pheasant Shooting begins	Oct.	1
Summer Time Ends	,,	5
Fox Hunting begins	Nov.	3
St. Andrew's Day	,,	30
Accession Day	Dec.	11
H.M. the King's Birthday	,,	14
Christmas Day	,,	25
Bank Holiday	,,	26

QUARTER DAYS :—March 25, June 24, Sept. 29, Dec. 25.

UNIVERSITY TERMS.

Oxford.	Begins.		Ends.	
Hilary Term	Jan.	10	April	5
,, Full Term	,,	19	March	15
Trinity Term	April	16	July	5
,, Full Term	,,	27	June	21

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Oxford.	Begins.		Ends.	
Michaelmas Term	Oct.	1	Dec.	17
,, Full Term	,,	12	,,	6

Cambridge.	Begins.		Ends.	
Lent Term	Jan.	5	March	25
,, Full Term	,,	14	,,	14
Easter Term	April	16	June	24
,, Full Term	,,	18	,,	9
Michaelmas Term	Oct.	1	Dec.	19
,, Full Term	,,	7	,,	5

University of Durham (Durham Division)

	Begins.		Ends.	
Epiphany	Jan.	14	March	15
Easter	April	22	June	21
Michaelmas	Oct.	15	Dec.	13

LAW SITTINGS.

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Hilary	begins	Jan. 11	ends	April	9
Easter	,,	April 22	,,	May	30
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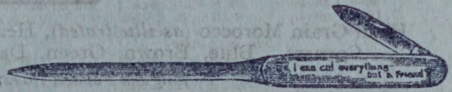
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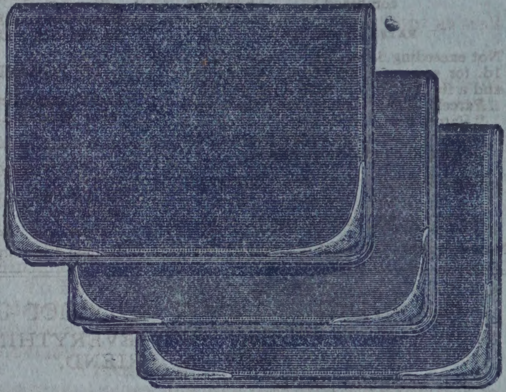

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Jan. 5	Isaiah xlii.	Matthew iv. 1-23.	Isaiah xliii. or xliv.	Acts iii.
,, 12	Isaiah li.	Matthew vii. 7	Isaiah lii. 13 and liii. or liv.	Acts vii. 35 to viii. 5
,, 19	Isaiah lv.	Matthew xi.	Isaiah lvii. or lxi.	Acts xi.
,, 26	Isaiah lxii.	Matthew xiv. 13	Isaiah lxv. or lxvi.	Acts xv. 30 to xvi. 16
Feb. 2	Job xxvii.	Matthew xviii. 21 to xix. 3	Job xxviii. or xxix.	Acts xx. 1-17
,, 9	Genesis i. and ii. 1-4	Revelation xxi. 1-9	Genesis ii. 4 or Job xxxviii.	Revelation xxi. 9 to xxii. 6
,, 16	Genesis iii.	Matthew xxvi. 1-31	Genesis vi. or viii.	Romans i.
,, 23	Genesis ix. 1-20	Mark i. 1-21	Genesis xii. or xiii.	Romans vii.
,, 26	Isaiah lviii. 1-13	Mark ii. 13-23	Jonah iii.	Hebrews xii. 3-18
Mar. 2	Genesis xix. 12-30	Mark v. 21	Genesis xxii. 1-20 or xxiii.	Romans xi. 25
,, 9	Genesis xxvii. 1-41	Mark ix. 2-30	Genesis xxviii. or xxxii.	1 Corinthians i. 26 and ii.
,, 16	Genesis xxxvii.	Mark xii. 35 to xiii. 14	Genesis xxxix. or xl.	1 Corinthians viii.
,, 23	Genesis xlii.	Luke i. 1-26	Genesis xliii. or xlv.	1 Corinthians xiv. 1-20
,, 30	Exodus iii.	Luke iv. 16	Exodus v. or vi. 1-14	2 Corinthians ii. 14 and iii.
Apr. 6	Exodus ix.	Matthew xxvi.	Exodus x. or xi.	Luke xix. 28 or xx. 9-21
,, 11	Genesis xxii. 1-20	John xviii.	Isaiah lii. 13 and liii.	1 Peter ii.
,, 13	Exodus xii. 1-29	Revelation i. 10-19	Exodus xii. 29 or xiv.	John xx. 11-19 or Rev. v.
,, 20	Numbers xvi. 1-36	1 Corinthians xv. 1-29	Num. xvi. 36 or xvii. 1-12	John xx. 24-30
,, 27	Numbers xx. 1-14	Luke xix. 28	Numbers xx. 14 to xxi. 10 or xxi. 10	Philippians iv.
May 4	Numbers xxii.	Luke xxii. 54	Numbers xxiii. or xxiv.	1 Thessalonians i.
,, 11	Deuteronomy iv. 1-23	John ii.	Deut. iv. 23-41 or v.	2 Thessalonians iii.
,, 18	Deuteronomy vi.	John vi. 1-22	Deuteronomy ix. or x.	2 Timothy i.
,, 22	Daniel vii. 9-15	Luke xxiv. 44	2 Kings ii. 1-16	Hebrews iv.
,, 25	Deuteronomy xxx.	John ix. 1-39	Deut. xxxiv. or Joshua i.	Philemon
June 1	Deuteronomy xvi. 1-18	Romans viii. 1-18	Isaiah xi. or Ezekiel xxxvi. 25	Galatians v. 16 or Acts xviii. 24 to xix. 21
,, 8	Isaiah vi. 1-11	Revelations i. 1-9	Genesis xviii. or i. and ii. 1-4	Eph. iv. 1-17 or Matthew iii.
,, 15	Joshua iii. 7 to iv. 15	John xxi.	Jos. v. 13 to vi. 21 or xxiv.	1 Peter i. 1-22
,, 22	Judges iv.	Acts v. 17	Judges v. or vi. 11	2 Peter ii.
,, 29	Ezekiel iii. 4-15	John xxi. 15-23	Zechariah iii.	Acts iv. 8-23
July 6	1 Samuel xii.	Acts xiii. 1-26	1 Samuel xiii. or Ruth i.	Matthew i. 18
,, 13	1 Samuel xv. 1-24	Acts xvii. 16	1 Samuel xvi. or xvii.	Matthew vi. 1-19
,, 20	2 Samuel i.	Acts xxi. 17-37	2 Samuel xii. 1-24 or xviii.	Matthew x. 1-24
,, 27	1 Chronicles xxi.	Acts xxvi.	1 Chron. xxii. or xxviii. 1-21	Matthew xiii. 53 to xiv. 13
Aug. 3	1 Chronicles xxix. 9-29	Romans iii.	2 Chron. i. or 1 Kings iii.	Matthew xviii. 1-21
,, 10	1 Kings x. 1-25	Romans ix. 1-19	1 Kings xi. 1-15 or xi. 26	Matthew xxii. 1-15
,, 17	1 Kings xii.	Romans xiv. and xv. 1-8	1 Kings xiii. or xvii.	Matthew xxv. 31
,, 24	1 Kings xviii.	1 Corinthians iv. 18 and v.	1 Kings xix. or xxi.	Matthew xxviii.
,, 31	1 Kings xxii. 1-41	1 Corinthians xi. 2-17	2 Kings ii. 1-16 or iv. 8-38	Mark iv. 35 to v. 21
Sept. 7	2 Kings v.	1 Corinthians xv. 35	2 Kings vi. 1-24 or vii.	Mark viii. 10 to ix. 2
,, 14	2 Kings ix.	2 Corinthians vi. and vii. 1	2 Kings x. 1-32 or xiii	Mark xii. 13-35
,, 21	2 Kings xviii.	2 Corin. xii. 14 and xiii.	2 Kings xix. or xxiii. 1-31	Mark xv. 42 and xvi.
,, 28	2 Chronicles xxxvi.	Galatians vi.	Neh. 1 and ii. 1-9 or viii.	Luke iv. 1-16
Oct. 5	Jeremiah v.	Ephesians v. 22 to vi. 10	Jeremiah xxii. or xxxv.	Luke vii. 1-24
,, 12	Jeremiah xxxvi.	Colossians i. 21 to ii. 8	Ezekiel ii. or xiii. 1-17	Luke x. 17
,, 19	Ezekiel xiv.	1 Thessalonians iv.	Ezekiel xviii. or xxiv. 15.	Luke xiv. 1-25
,, 26	Ezekiel xxxiv.	1 Timothy iii.	Ezekiel xxxvii. or Daniel i	Luke xviii. 31 to xix. 11
Nov. 2	Daniel iii.	2 Timothy iii.	Daniel iv. or v.	Luke xxii. 1-31
,, 9	Daniel vi.	Hebrews ii. and iii. 1-7	Daniel vii. 9 or xii.	John i. 1-29
,, 16	Hosea xiv.	Hebrews x. 1-19	Joel ii. 21 or iii. 9	John v. 1-24
,, 23	Ecclesiastes xi. and xii.	James ii.	Haggai ii. 1-10 or Malachi iii. and iv.	John viii. 1-31
,, 30	Isaiah i.	John i. 35-43	Isaiah ii. or iv. 2	John xii. 20-42
Dec. 7	Isaiah v.	1 John i.	Isaiah xi. 1-11 or xxiv.	John xvi. 1-16
,, 14	Isaiah xxv.	2 John	Isaiah xxvi. or xxviii. 5-19	John xx. 1-19
,, 21	Job xlii. 1-7	John xx. 19-24	Isaiah xxxv.	John xiv. 1-8
,, 25	Isaiah ix. 1-8	Luke ii. 1-15	Isaiah vii. 10-17	Titus iii. 4-9
,, 28	Isaiah xxxv.	Revelation xvi.	Isaiah xxxviii. or xl.	Revelation xviii.

JANUARY. 1941. FEBRUARY.

JANUARY.

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter	Jan. 5	Last Quarter	Jan. 20
Full Moon	„ 13	New Moon	„ 27

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter	Feb. 4	Last Quarter	Feb. 18
Full Moon	„ 12	New Moon	„ 26

MARCH. 1941. APRIL.

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter Mar. 6 Last Quarter Mar. 20
Full Moon „ 13 New Moon „ 27

Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter April 5 Last Quarter April 18
Full Moon „ 11 New Moon „ 26

MAY. 1941. JUNE.

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter May 4 Last Quarter May 18
Full Moon „ 11 New Moon „ 26

Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter June 2 Last Quarter June 16
Full Moon „ 9 New Moon „ 24

JULY. 1941. AUGUST.

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter July 2
Full Moon „ 8
Last Quarter „ 16
New Moon July 24
First Quarter „ 31

Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon Aug. 7
Last Quarter „ 15
New Moon Aug. 22
First Quarter „ 29

SEPTEMBER. 1941. OCTOBER.

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Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon Sept. 5 New Moon Sept. 21
Last Quarter ,, 13 First Quarter ,, 27

Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon Oct. 5 New Moon Oct. 20
Last Quarter ,, 13 First Quarter ,, 27

NOVEMBER. 1941. DECEMBER.

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23 Su
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28 F
29 S

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Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon	Nov. 4	New Moon	Nov. 19
Last Quarter	„ 12	First Quarter	„ 25

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28 Su
29 M
30 Tu
31 W

Phases of the Moon.

Full Moon	Dec. 3	New Moon	Dec. 18
Last Quarter	„ 11	First Quarter	„ 25

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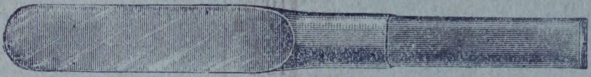

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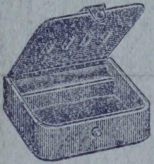

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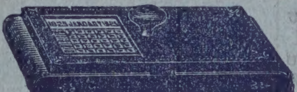

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Woke in night in a panic

Thursday, ~~Wednesday~~, January 1

over C's [illegible]. Must try again to do something. Then American taxation [illegible] reduce our incomes [illegible] [illegible] dangers [illegible]. Suddenly realised that it is asthma that I have and at first remembered that the cure is the threat of [illegible]. Talk [illegible] about [illegible]. Nearly missed train. W. letter to Professor Shepherd about [illegible] in Trinidad & Canada for A. to copy. Office W. long letter to Albright Davies and dictated a few other. Long [illegible] telephone call from Mr Martin [illegible] 21 [illegible] about the [illegible] said that the [illegible] are down; Lunch [illegible]. Up to [illegible] early [illegible] very [illegible] but on the [illegible] seems [illegible]. Dictated Mr Beckett. Home 5.4 [illegible] letter to Shepherd. W. cheques for [illegible] etc., + cheque to A C. After dinner discussed [illegible] Sunday night in [illegible] [illegible] in. [illegible]

DOG TAX DUE.

B

~~Thursday~~ Friday, January 2

up 7.-8. Breakfast 8.30
A to [illegible]. Out. [illegible] more
discussed things w. Newell, [illegible]
w. Charley and Craft. [illegible]
w. Humphrey. Made [illegible]
w. [illegible] quince and got
out [illegible] [illegible]. C. [illegible]
sitting room [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] clean. A. & 14.
[illegible] [illegible] Talk messages
about pulling willows.
Back to lunch. Telephoned to
Woolford about stone and to
[illegible] about [illegible]. Spent
afternoon sorting papers in my
despatch case and writing
cheques. Tea and then went
on till A. came. Evening:
Cocktails and Ralph [illegible]
to dinner and he and Ralph
went on to dance at Wilson
with Molly Holt and [illegible].
Tel. for Cynthia August who
will come to tea on Sunday.
C. telephoned Betty Mathias about
[illegible] opening Sunday night.
Read Sir Ian's memoir of Jean

Evening: Letter from C. Lowe.

Saturday, ~~Friday~~, January 3

A up to London Bridge by the 8.30 train to go on to spend Sunday with Pinks. I paid men and with the children carried brush wood to barn. Took chairs to Garage barn while Cowper cleaned. Gave J. also a rise of 2.6 per week & promised him another July 1, if all goes well. To see Price Allen and gave him measurements of G's bookshelves. After lunch Ch. Frank Burnell transplanted Dawyck beeches to lower corner of village wall. Then worked for C. Dall rest of afternoon getting [illegible] and [illegible] at the palisading we had decided on. Helen cleaned dovecot. I finished moving brush wood and raked up leaves. Frosters arrived from town for tea. Talk in setting [illegible]. I started doing my December accounts before dinner and finished after, [illegible] through [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Good [illegible] Commentary by C. C. Sims

Sunday,
~~Saturday~~, January 4

Up 8. o'c put [illegible] [illegible] and
brushed my hair. Wound
clocks and [illegible] and I
walked over [illegible] [illegible] grandfather
and seemed to think it [illegible]. At
10 [illegible] [illegible] down and
talk [illegible] [illegible] arrived bringing
Cory Graham [illegible]. Spoke
to Charly about it and [illegible]
[illegible] 175 [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
W. C. and [illegible] [illegible] C's
improvements and exposed
pile of filth in Saltmarsh's yard.
Worked fixing drive cut up
to lay down tin. We talked
about [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] before [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] down cut [illegible]
stumps for trees and a [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] and cut [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
up. Washed [illegible] a [illegible]. [illegible]
and [illegible] a [illegible] to [illegible] in N
town. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] seeds for
garden. Cocktails before dinner to
W. [illegible] for shrubs.

W. Maylan on my way home
about [illegible] Monday, [illegible] Park [illegible].

~~Sunday~~, January 5

up 7.10 [illegible] about figures
in [illegible] to get [illegible]
father opinion.

← [2nd Sunday after Christmas.

Letter to Emmet Family at station going
to [illegible] tomorrow. Take [illegible] in
Cabin to me Cassidy & he tells
me of beating of [illegible] attack
on [illegible] by [illegible] Belgian boys
who go to Birchmount. Tell Father
about Alfredo's [illegible] of which
I do not approve. W. draft
letter to [illegible] in the War
Diary. W. Cassidy about a place
for Alfredo to stay. Park [illegible]
[illegible] Store. Met [illegible]
in Gt. Regent St. Tel. Alfredo
all right. Tel [illegible] for [illegible]
Tel Dom MacMillan about [illegible]
agreement which he is signing.
Had meal about Perkins [illegible]
fr. Capt [illegible]. N. 9. [illegible]
at desk. Call fr. [illegible] [illegible]
who wants a job as manager
in a shoe concern. Tried to
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to begin at
bottom [illegible] 9.4. Ellen [illegible]
& Gilbert to dinner. [illegible]
at [illegible] topics [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Tuesday,
~~Monday~~, January 6

A. got up w. Nannie's help at 7 o'c and went to London by 7.55. W. letter to [illegible]. Started letter to Ly Carr about paper with Read British Agent to check illustrations. Office. Gave Una C. letter to copy. Dealt with Sassoon material. Tel. Burridge about Bright jacket. Lunch Museum Tavern. Left C's clock at Camerer Cuss. Enquired about A's legs. Cannot Carbon & pencils Smith's. Letter for A. K. Harry about [illegible] and his next book. Started circular about Russian books from D.H. [illegible] E. [illegible] back from Mr Austin. Slept at desk, too tired to read Managing [illegible] proof. Read Mulroy. Horatio left Frinton for Brighton [illegible] had another! 3 h. & [illegible] impressed with [illegible] and walk. A home by 6.15 After dinner put away letters [illegible] etc. — read papers.

Epiphany

heavy frost. Very cold but
still. Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, January 7 A. up
by 7.55 train. Met R. Mather at
H-station. Getting ask [illegible]
Clive Musee [illegible] Harwood Chur-
cheer for dates. Office. Finished
Physics circular for Mrs
Pickety. Talk S.A.T. my income
tax. Lunch Cartlet Chris
Grinnell. Hamish Hamilton
etc. Cameo Came and got 9
[illegible] etc. for A's photos
Chart 3's [illegible] has gone to America
safely. Signed letters, read and
defined refugee minute. C.H.
E.M. Forster's "Lure", Dickens for
G. to give A. Mary in brown tidy
into [illegible] carriage
to Dickin [illegible] Br. [illegible] St.
by bus to Victoria. Ticket inspector
in train said his ticket had ex-
pired. I [illegible] slumped to take
a serious view. G. had a good
day and enjoyed being alone.
S.G.S. greatly affected [illegible]
[illegible] cheering [illegible] from H. But
[illegible] fine [illegible]
A home by 6.15. Read papers

A. [illegible] is Thursday, Cas. [illegible]
~~Wednesday~~, January 8
spent night. We. As [illegible] for
death [illegible] Simon. W. [illegible]
thanking him for memoir of
Jean; Got 1 beef steak + stuffing
pie and Cream Cheese and I had
brought up a piece of [illegible] cake
from Mrs Scallerud of Cornwall
Mrs Eddy. Perhaps by that
just recited to Sheldon K.
After consultation we had
Hair cut and my barber [illegible]
two on Compendia hall [illegible]
a duo and went to United
Jewish Synagogue and showed
me Chalmers picture of his
grandson. Supper only since
so busy. W. and Harm went
about [illegible] up. 10 P. Gotten
[illegible]. Home 5.45 Read [illegible] book
I made a mistake and A. did not go
to the Car. I heard this A.M. She came
home by the 6.15 and is going to August's
tomorrow. After dinner [illegible]
on Amherst a. accounts

Up at 7 o'c and called A. who is going by car to Pulborough

Friday, ~~Thursday~~, January 9

and had not wanted to be called so early! Took B's new book case to Price Allen because I had given him wrong measurements and the shelf for Nelson's Encyclopaedia was too narrow. [illegible] top window in cottage needs a new frame. Humphrey at work on old piggery and tool house. Told Charley and N went to grub up discarded elms in playing fields. B. out to see [illegible] but I spent morning on Amberley accounts. [illegible] to Black Horse and got bottle of Bass before [illegible]. After luncheon Charley took Castle back to playing fields through the desperately [illegible] path. By [illegible] I watched him and N could jack up one of the stumps. Back and went on with Amberley accounts, before and after tea. A. called up from [illegible] to know if we had heard from Mark [illegible] but we haven't. At dinner C. talked of pulling down [illegible]. Nat. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Hull [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not [illegible] [illegible] so [illegible]

up rather late. Breakfast
about Saturday 10 o'c. W. [illegible]
for men ~~Friday~~, January, 10 being carts
[illegible] [illegible] to take soil from
old compost heap by [illegible] [illegible]
for filling up [illegible] in wood
[illegible] by C and me started for
[illegible] fields and met Charley
and [illegible] coming back after
dealing with elm stumps. B. &
I walked to square returned empty
to Mrs Jackson. C. and I looked
at [illegible] which I want to
[illegible]. And she is coming round
to [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
it to [illegible] down. After lunch
showed C. Indian [illegible] which
she much admired so I will ask
it [illegible] to give to [illegible] for birthday
as she has nothing else but a
couple of [illegible]. And she was
[illegible] [illegible] dyed for [illegible].
A having [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
and [illegible] felt [illegible]. Service
at [illegible]. Rector dozed in
chair most of afternoon. After
tea and again after dinner struggled
with accounts. A. went straight
to [illegible] station to meet Mack.
Cocktails at 7.30 on arrival.
After dinner they went to [illegible]
dance at [illegible].

Terrible time last night again
getting my Sunday, feet warm.
Tried 3 ~~Saturday~~, January 11 pairs of
wool stockings but finally did
it by [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
then [illegible] my blood. Up late
and breakfast with Mark
Built up fire in N. Room. Wound
clocks. C. to church. A. and M.
to walk. Sorted and put away
papers of accounts. W. Mas
telephoned back about Cecil.
Read letter fr. Martyn S. To or
J. Boswell to tell him to send 12
rhododendrons. Lunch and A's
present. She liked Indian shawl and
turquoise brooch and earrings. C.
out walking at pergola with C. came
[illegible] carried to N. room well.
Sat by fire and rested till tea
time. Arthur Lavinia came and
sat dumb and pompous. A told
talk in C. affairs her [illegible]
which she contrived almost my teeth
I am thinking all the time of the
future of my efforts and her
disappointment at [illegible] Nannie, for
enduring [illegible] including complaint
of [illegible] friends & [illegible] for Mark
which left at 7 o'c. After dinner
read Man [illegible] [illegible] and
bed at [illegible] 33

woke early and slept lighter
after that, probably because

Monday

~~Sunday~~, January 12

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Very cold
Taylor, whose father is better,
with C. to [illegible], [illegible]

1st Sunday after Epiphany

[illegible] the 7.55. Spoke to Charles
about [illegible] for [illegible]. [illegible]
3 of [illegible] [illegible]. Spoke to [illegible]
about [illegible] making bag of
pig [illegible]. C. is [illegible]. I
[illegible] [illegible] & C. [illegible] [illegible]
my savings [illegible] at [illegible]
state of mind and [illegible]. Dictated
Miss C. Left my black coat at
Andersons and had lunch at
Holborn Rest. Met Paul of [illegible]
going into Cheatly [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Holborn Rest. Spent
afternoon [illegible] to Mary Stein
Stayed at office till 5.30 and home
by 6.15 Met C. who had been
lunching with Antoinette who told
her of Dorothy Graham's death
yesterday. A. [illegible] and [illegible]
before [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] she had left at [illegible] station
[illegible]. A. tried [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
C. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, January 13

High S.W. wind all night and light rain as I started to walk to station train 40 late. Tough walking with umbrella blown away. Dried in train with towels. Started letter to Aunt Ruth. Got umbrella here nice, English bamboo stick and name of [illegible] on silver band. Office dictated a lot. Called for Burnely, and Bigland picket. Lunch Carrick A. C. Duckworth M.P. (married a Hammond) left-handle of my dish at 5 days to be Isaacsons. Signed a lot of bills. Sent the complimentary copies of The Times 4 poems & [illegible] today to Aunt Ruth. Stopped at station to see about missing 2 bags of pig food. Stopped at Duck Hall and got 4 bottles of ale. It had snowed all day and the ground was white. Electric power [illegible] and all houses without light. Sat by fire in candle light after dinner. A [illegible] night an'

lights still on and dimmed by candle
light. Wednesday, Snowed all night

~~Tuesday~~, January 14

and ground white. Walked to
station in galoshes. G. followed
in Taylor's car. W. Mathias company
about [illegible] in [illegible] food. Checked
cancelled cheques [illegible] [illegible]. Taxi
to G. B. Piccadilly. Tel. Mr Bin[illegible]
at Embassy about [illegible]
[illegible] Mr Winant [illegible] Black
[illegible] about Embassy [illegible] Tax.
Read Mr Eddy proof. [illegible]
Quick. Francis Blake + Captain
Basil Bartlett spoke to me and
Owen Smith and Lord Kindersley.
When I got back to office, Lady
[illegible] and Miss [illegible] came
at once and we talked till
4.35 about Mrs Eddy. He said
old Lady Dunmore now 95 - is
a Xn Scientist and knew Mrs
Eddy. Just caught my train.
G. waiting for me [illegible]
Read Times + evening papers.
G. waited at station for A. [illegible]
5.30 + they came home in taxi.
[illegible] and stopped at [illegible]
to tell him [illegible] door.

15 degrees in front. A. walked to
station. I took gas point
to [illegible]

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, January 15

[illegible] [illegible] gas attacks [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] worked
[illegible] yesterday by candle or
lights [illegible] out all day. [illegible]
at station and [illegible] on
train. G. [illegible]. [illegible]
N [illegible] than they Germans are in
a [illegible]. Read [illegible]
Revolution proof. Got 2 eclairs
and Caramel pastries — latter for
lunch — also cream cheese
& [illegible] cake from [illegible].
[illegible] at office [illegible] at desk
Signed letter. Waited at Embassy
3.30 – 4.10 when I saw W[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], talked about St.
Paul's. Was [illegible] with
F[illegible]. Asked about [illegible]
spoke to Alfred & he [illegible].
Said he would like [illegible]
[illegible] "Sir". Back to office and [illegible]
[illegible] copy 2 letters to [illegible]. Just
caught 5.30 train; by [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] w. Andrews [illegible]
[illegible]. A. home by 6.15. [illegible]
[illegible] after dinner about [illegible]

Up late. Thick SNOW still.
Friday
Breakfast ~~Thursday~~, January 16 9.20.

Packed cider empties & returned to Whitneys. Took broken chair & Price Seller. Cleaned [illegible] on garage. Talked Charley about cutting trees and about pigs for next year. To see Donoghue & Nimbell in Cottage cellar which they are making into farm room. Cleaned knick-knacks out of hall table & studio. E. & I walked down to P.O. and stores. Radio - Duke of Connaught died at 92. After lunch down to Playing Field and saw Charley & Nuttall cutting up diseased elm. Sewer has been cleared. W. E. Frank Ayling w. Mr Croucher. Worked on accounts before and after tea. A. and Sim arrived together just before dinner. Bull-fight in N. room and they sat there till 2.30 A.M. Accounts after dinner. E. & I bed 12.

Breakfast 9.30. Very cold

Saturday, ~~Friday~~, January 17

and more snow. Built fires in sitting and N. Rooms. Paid cheques for [illegible] and sent them off. Then accounts before and after lunch. Can't get them right. Simon sat in N. room reading all morning. Martin and Pinkie cleaned after lunch and A. got home from London about 3. She is about — [illegible] today because they are specially busy. Out to see Jack Boswell at 4 o'c but he had gone. All had tea in sitting room. I decided not to try to balance accounts at each month but only at end of ½ year. Read till 7.15 then bath & dressed and made "Old Fashioneds" much appreciated. A. in Indian shawl dress & Turquoise pajamas. After dinner read papers and bed early. Got feet warm and then slept [illegible] in bed. I [illegible] shirt and my pajamas - pretty stuffy

Breakfast Sunday, ~~Saturday~~, January 18 9:30

Very cold. Wound clocks. Nat's fire in sitting and N. room. Got out oil stove for bath. Hot water [illegible] & got a letter up for. [illegible] cellar & [illegible]. Young people struggled down and I Simon left just as I was going to church. Tom Pepper very friendly. Young people in sitting room. E. in N. room with oil stove smelling. Vicar called me. Bible Reading pamphlets and stayed 3/4 hour. Says Dennis's brother is a dog killer. Told Charley about Salkin [illegible] [illegible] by our hedge. Eileen [illegible] down [illegible] in snow. After lunch and tea finally fixed up accounts. Tea in sitting room and then A. & P. went to N. room. Simon & Martyn had left. Accounts all night. Read

At Elder ~~Sunday~~ Monday, January 19. and roads very slippery. A walked to station for 7.55, Pinkie took Cea and drove to station, taking 6 cases of cider empties. Saw John Mathews to get Betty's telephone number and his for Alfredo. W. letters to M. in car back the way to Avondale, Pinkie's road. To garage and engaged room for Tuesday. To West theatre and get tickets for Giselle. To Phillips & get calcium tablets. Office 11.30. Dictated a few letters and gave Miss C. the ~~accounts~~ Amberley accounts to type. Read Margaret's proof. Letter fr. Antoinette asking to see me and I telephoned and asked her to lunch at Dorchester. Lunch at Holborn. Signed letters, read Margie's proof. Tel. A. to give her Betty's tel. no. Nearly missed train. Dreary

[2nd Sunday after Epiphany.

Heavy Tuesday, snow. Told Craig to get ~~Monday~~, January 20 snow off A's car and give old motor tyres to our cellarman. Balanced private accounts in train. Tel. fr. Antrobus agreed [illegible] and can't get to London as my car driver is off. Read letters & arranged papers & dictated to Jan Donaldson letter & Report - Buckett about Hyde Park Gardens. Lunch Garrick with Dukes. Sir John Field looks stricken. Got 4 lb. apples at Solomons. v. David [illegible] sending cheques x new cards etc.

Very cold in train. Slept to Holmwood. Went on my letter to M. [illegible]. Think C. appeared a little better. A. came home by 6.10 as usual. Don't like to leave her so lonely cold in dark. After dinner [illegible] Stars white-washing near East. Extend Managerial Rev. agreement, up 10%.

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, January 21

Coldest day yet. Thick haze over and birds flying wildly about. Sun emerges a red ball. Cold in train esp. about my hands. Finished letter to [illegible]. Beef steak pie at Empire store. No apples [illegible] re Jewels. So cold in office that I kept my coat on. Opened letters etc and dictated a lot. Tel. fr. Moore who may be able to meet us at Coquille tomorrow night late. Read proof of Management Rev. [illegible] a [illegible] in [illegible] out for [illegible] British Empire & dissolving. Luncheon steak & kidney pie heated in front of electric fire and piece of T's birthday cake brought from home. To Chemist & got some "Pictures" & Frederick's articles for S.H. Scrap. Signed letters and put in eight-penny. Too cold to work in afternoon. Stopped [illegible] Dusting. Bobbie's Stephens got in [illegible] a coat at [illegible] & Co. on Embankment [illegible]. After dining had [illegible] & [illegible]. Bed 12.

VERY COLD

C. Harris Thursday, Mr Seeland's

~~Wednesday~~, January 22

Sutton in tax
money. Amused Truman. Boy
out in Europe. Coats said to be
[illegible]. Read Manager's prof-
To Camera and Quaker / at Hyam,
This cold weather is making
me constipated first time
since Sept 1944. Office
call fr. Mr W. C. [illegible] chair-
m. of manufacturers of concrete
houses in [illegible]. Talked to
Manager about [illegible]. Tel.
fr. Nina Warren Huck: Her
offering on Strippings has been
accepted. Got some apple
dolls. Lunch Garrick: Henry
After lunch, stood [illegible] in hall
and talked to Champion about
weather in America + England.
Read Manager report. Joined C.
at Garrick. Hotel changed me another
day suit and we met A at New
Theatre for Cecil [illegible]. Margot
Fonteyn + Robert Helpmann. Very
charming. Dined [illegible] + took
A. to Betty Matthews' flat, and

Snow slush and misery.

Friday, ~~Thursday~~, January 23 London

Spent last night
Craig Hotel. Headache helped
me to 1 spoonful of jam.
Office 11 o'C. S.A.F. staying at home
in bed. Dictated a lot. Mrs C.
letter from Mrs Bush. [illegible]
a prisoner or casualty.
Dictated Miss C. including Marjorie
S. & Miss Wenonah about her
play and her novels. Long
talk Clifford about S.A.F. whom
he evidently considers very ill.
Luncheon in S.A.F.'s room
eating my own dinner. Read
[illegible] and finished A's
birthday cake. Read Marguerite's
story and signed letters.
Met C at Victoria and home by
5.4 train. Mrs Sewell and
Nannie were on same train and
all went to the house in taxi
together. I walked from station
and got a little tired.
Catarrh in consequence.
After dinner, letters & read papers.
Sir S. Cripps is said to have refused
to enter cabinet in Bracken's

Amberley Saturday. Breakfast 9.30

~~Friday~~, January 24

Access of catarrh.
to Chapman for [illegible]. No Coal
for kitchen. Tel [illegible]. Looked
in Coal bin. Mr S. suspects
stealing. Will give her key and keep
shed locked. Took table gr. [illegible]
to stable and wooden chair
fr. stable to cottage kitchen for
children. Those not broken (came
out into garage for Mr S to
mend) [illegible] left
bottle at Black Horse [illegible]
so old. Mr Budd says Toby
threatened w. rheumatic fever.
Mr Dunning says Mr Cockshott
suffering of [illegible]. After lunch
Miss J. Boswell [illegible] within
Resting awhile in chair by fire
Then C. came down from [illegible]
and we listening to Tchaikovsky's
Piano Concerto (Mrs [illegible] called
just before) then Lady Russell
called and stayed to tea. I took
her home in [illegible] half
raining. Evelyn prefers to be alone.
A. [illegible]

up 8.20 Breakfast 9.20
Sunday
~~Saturday~~, January 25 MILD
Wound clocks
Got fire going in sitting room
Read article New Statesman a
critical of Churchill. I think
his one great quality "Personal
ascendancy" has served his
purpose. Suddenly strikes me
— how about Stafford Cripps?
[illegible] A. [illegible] Viola. Worked on
Managerial Revolution proof.
Pleasant sunny day. After they
came back, walked down to
wood. A. luncheon praised Viola
way of speaking contrasted un-
[illegible] fr affections artificially
for Alfreda's benefit. [illegible]
the Stock list. After lunch tipped
over black lac. [illegible] and broke
Lalo bowl. Swept up + got ready
for Studio. Finished Managerial
Revolution. Rested upstairs. A. [illegible] in
Studio. After tea [illegible]
accounts. Cocktails like three at
Coquille. Started to read [illegible]

Red sky Monday, Think it will thaw
no cold. ~~Sunday~~, January 26 Talked to
John Mathias as far as [illegible] A.
Says A. must get out of the [3rd Sunday after Epiphany.
irresponsible Russian crowd.
Rakic is disgusted with their
tactics of asking again apparently
from [illegible] not Friday night.
Wr. letter to Lady Caldwell [illegible]
Stuart about Charles Ransome
affair [illegible]. Very cold &
kept my coat on. Tel. Bum
at Embassy and made an
appointment for tomorrow. S.A.T.
still coughing but says he feels
better. Got altered jacket Monday
and left trousers to have braid
put on. Lunch & talk over with
[illegible]. To Bury in St. J. St.
Pd bill & ordered wine and
spirit. [illegible] [illegible] that a quinine [illegible]
after and returned it. [illegible]
Slept in train to [illegible].
Read evening papers. U.S. Inquiry
on Pearl Harbour. Revolt against
policy of Churchill. A [illegible] night
wi[th] [illegible] Mathias. Read papers
after dinner. Accounts. Letters.

Tuesday, ~~Monday~~, January 27

Asthma perhaps a bit better; Addressing and cutting. W. Hilton Brown [illegible] to thank me for cheers for a [illegible] speech. Office opened [illegible] etc. To see Mr. J. D. Beam at Embassy about job for Alfreda. He was not [illegible] full [illegible]. Office got two bottles of Guinness [illegible]. Dannick John Palmer and Duncan Swan – [illegible] [illegible] any boat. Back to office very sleepy. Looked at MS on soft [illegible] and worked a bit on MS of [illegible]. 5 good letters. Bought bottle of gin. Met [illegible] at Victoria. Slept in train. Asthma bad. Having [illegible] in London tried to [illegible] Mrs Buckner and I walked home [illegible]. Bath at once as I was very wet. A. home by 6.15 [illegible] better. Happy [illegible]. Read papers before and after dinner. Heard Churchill's great war speech in the news. Spoke to A. about taking [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Bed early Wednesday, and slept with

~~Tuesday~~, January 28

Charley [illegible] gave me
chianti first 29, [illegible] [illegible]
pills. Better, but feel gritty [illegible]
again. Read [illegible] [illegible] first.
10. Lloyds Bank about this charge
3 started long letter to Simone about
young man in France, very concerned
also about Waltham [illegible] coming
and article on old Dr Stevens
10: Bessant Co: about fig [illegible]
missing. office opened letters
etc. D. dictated and W. [illegible] letter
to Mason Sanders about Capt.
et. [illegible] Letters to Malaya.
Luncheon w. Antoinette at
Dorchester. She wanted to
speak of C's leg, also [illegible]
professional [illegible] also
reconciliation between C. & Olive
went off very pleasantly. [illegible]
rather off [illegible] my [illegible]
asthma. Checked monthly
accounts w. Miss C. [illegible]
5.4 feeling ill, but got thro'
[illegible] [illegible] bed early. Charley

Felt ill in night. Few asthma in
turning [illegible] Thursday with severe
~~Wednesday~~, January 29
bronchial cold. Put in woolen
under sheets and [illegible] dinner
Vicar & his daughters Evelyn
& Molly Holt at Ashton.
Finished letter to Jamie. W.
Sir Ian about Jean's [illegible]
for Autograph. Tried to read
in train feeling really ill.
Met Murphy [illegible] Station and
he kept me talking [illegible] did
me no good in cold & damp.
Got some Bovril wh. I drank in
hot water. Dictated a bit. Tel.
S.A.T. his doctor says he
must lie up for at least
3 weeks, but he is coming in
tomorrow. Lunch beefsteak
pie and cakes and [illegible]
Call fr. J. [illegible] Beth
with Jessy on art. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] A.M. Home 5.4
[illegible] and kept warm & [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]. Evelyn & Molly
telephoned for Fox and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] but [illegible]

Felt much better this A.M.

G. told

Friday

~~Thursday~~, January 30

me about dinner last night - 2 Canadian officers having and Alfreda held went on to dance at Arundel Castle. Canadian officers insulted Americans and B. insulted them back! Dozed all morning inhaled Friar's Balsam. Can't make out if sputum stained by Balsam or blood. Japs at gates of Singapore. B.B.C. played Star Spangled Banner for ill Roosevelt's birthday. Nice lunch. W. J. busy writing J's cheques & his Thatcher's a/c. for reclaim tax allowance. Dozed till tea time when Mrs. S. brought up. Then her stories. W. M. is here sending Arundel accounts for ½ year! Temp 99.7 Bad news from Libya & Malaya apparently kept back until vote of

Slept long but lightly, conscious
of perspiring, and changed
pyjamas at 6 o'clock. Didn't
feel so well today. Continued
brown sputum but less heavily
blood. Letter fr. Sir Lac that he
sent [illegible] her copy of [illegible]
memoirs a week ago. Sent his letter
on to her. Read papers. New
Statesman refugees P.M. Tom
[illegible] like his boots. C. took cheque
to [illegible]. Good no. of [illegible] in
T.L.S. C. sent my letter and
[illegible] accounts to M[illegible] by
air mail 3/9. Read that Amer. journal. "They Came to a River" Great
humor making quality. Gave me
nostalgia for America that I felt
all day. Still constipated and
did not enjoy lunch. Dozed
but could not sleep P.M.
After tea worked on [illegible] accounts
for January. Combat [illegible]
night. A. came home [illegible]
[illegible] who is kept [illegible]
[illegible] by Supply [illegible]
of Sir E. [illegible] is [illegible].
[illegible] Asquith [illegible]

~~Friday~~ Saturday, January 31

[illegible]

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, February 1

Hardly slept at all last night. Constipation and brain congested. Anxiety accounts, and worried because A. will not take interest in work at American Embassy. Rang for Hot Water at 8 o'c., Breakfast 9 o'c. Good movement of bowels. Changed into C's room. Heavy fall of snow all night, turning to track but very thick on the ground. Dozed and felt better. Went back to my room. Read Browne's Spiritual Agnosticism. Worked on accounts for January and finally got them right. Down to lunch. Only fat meat to be had. Up & rested till tea. A. went in car to Hogarths and stayed till late at night. Down to tea; then back to bed. [illegible] Out [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Read Browne. Dinner in bed. C. came up. Longs to go back to America, feels inferior here. She cried. I think she must go back.

Monday ~~Sunday~~, February 2

[4th Sunday after Epiphany.

A. up till 12 last night and up at 7.30 in freezing rain, fortunately she had my galoshes. A. off w. Taylor 9 o'c. I had splendid movement of bowels, but felt weak and somnolent. Dozed till 11. Then started to read Lewis's book that arrived in mail from the A.M. Cheering to think that I am responsible. I rested at 11. Down to sitting room 12.45 and had lunch by fire and went on reading Lewis's book. Intimate memoir of childhood and youth illustrating the growth of his social consciousness. Up to bed and slept heavily till waken at 4.45. Dressed and tea by fire. Finished L's chapter - good. C. returned fr. [illegible] and lunched w. Bunny Carter. Dinner by fire together then up to bed. Temp 99.2. Don't feel at all well. Think getting up may have been a mistake. W. [illegible] Read Benson's Spiritual Age etc. Br. [illegible] [illegible] much [illegible] may a

[illegible]

Drank a great deal of barley water

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, February 3

in night and so awake for long time. Got to sleep again after [illegible] called. Had bath and tea. Breakfast 10.30. Read papers. Gen. MacArthur seems to be holding out. A. telephoned for me to [illegible] and office. Sent off them [illegible] and office without a hitch. A. to [illegible] and got my [illegible] back. Dozed [illegible] upon in bed. Read [illegible] after lunch. Rested but did not really sleep till 4. When I fixed [illegible] and read Brown's own words. E. came up and I read to her about Vis. Medicatrix Naturae and applied it pleasantly to her. She is [illegible] specially appreciative of that sort of Unitarian self analysis. A. came down [illegible] Ralph Henderson [illegible] [illegible] She brought [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] 98.4. No appetite for dinner. E. [illegible] up but

Got out of bed 6.45 and wr. a note
to Miss C. asking her

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, February 4

to send Malaga by air to Charles
Ramsbottom. Asked A. to take
up net-cheques, food, etc to
Tel. to Miss Cook to come for it
and [illegible] E. up to London. Back
breakfast, read papers, [illegible] 9
[illegible] 8 [illegible]. Talk old Frances
Balcomb. Read Brown. W.
Lady Calum. John Burt came
to see me while I was having lunch.
He will be 17 on Mar 23, &
would like to learn to drive a car.
Read Brown. V. good. Slept till
till 5. Tea [illegible]: nothing to eat since
yesterday. Read Brown. C. came
back and Mr Taylor came up to see
me and advised Norfolk [illegible] to teach
John to drive a car. C. had lunch
wi. Helen Spirito and saw Mrs
Hinkley and Mr [illegible] about a place
for Alfreda. C. met Blue Coat Alto
practising [illegible] Cant in train. After
dinner finished Brown. Read a long
chapter on Slavery ending up in
comparing Hitler to John Brown.

[illegible]

Drank plain water in night.
Felt a great [illegible] in
Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, February 5
my condition for the better, but gout
continues. Felt like getting up so
rose at 7 o'c. Shaved and had a
walk. Then breakfast. After that
I felt tired and dozed most of
morning in C's room & mine.
Papers tell of respect for Italian
property in Abyssinia. Looked at
the frontis[illegible] in my room in price old
print-[illegible] frames, and after [illegible]
lying on bed [illegible]. Cabinet
Changes do not include S. Cripps
with Victor Warren [illegible] made a
pie. Enjoyed lunch of shepherds pie
cabbage and stewed prunes.
W. Cassidy who had written about
a place in London for [illegible]. Slept
till tea. Nothing to eat. Read Greek
Tragedy. W. Maisky thanking him
for letting us get paper for Shakesp
E in other. Very glad. W. and to
Elmore to thank him for present
of Maryland seed [illegible]. A. [illegible]
[illegible] 70°C. in Bickett's. Sent
coupon to Cunningham for £5 [illegible]
After dinner Standard + word

Friday ~~Thursday~~, February 6

Weather the same cold and myself the same cold, [illegible] in the chest but tight in head. Talk to Mrs S. when she came up for C. for money. Think I must write an [illegible]. Bath, breakfast and read New Statesman. [illegible] Churchill's disregard [illegible] [illegible] drawn. Read [illegible] Stafford Cripps to make a bed for [illegible]. Marilyn & [illegible] came in to see me. W. business letter to M-n- [illegible] [illegible] her Jan. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] £. [illegible]

Dressed and down. [illegible] for lunch, and afterwards, & talked [illegible] [illegible] the war and Hitler's new orders. Up to rest but head tight and congested. Plain tea. Worked on [illegible] Temp. 98.9. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Dinner and hard laughs in sitting room. Did not feel very well and went up before others came out of dining room. [illegible] [illegible] quite [illegible]. Inhaled Friars Balsam etc and [illegible] [illegible] almost at once. [illegible] [illegible] about the [illegible]. Felt feverish and [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

Bad gout all last night. No
position [illegible] relief. I did not
sleep at all. [illegible] attack
very heavy. Rang bell at 7.45
shaved, bath and breakfast.
Had not [illegible] a [illegible] for night
Called on spiritual agencies to cure
my evil and certainly seemed to
have disappeared in [illegible] 7. The
gout returned in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
in day time. C. got back gout
medicine I had given to [illegible]
Allen. Read papers in C's room
and then [illegible] in [illegible]. [illegible]
had luncheon by fire in sitting
Becketts and A. B. here. In afternoon
I wrote to Mr Trengrove. C. had
telephoned to Mrs Trengrove before
luncheon. Rested and slept in
my room. Then dressed and
down to sitting room for tea by
fire. Mark Bowman [illegible] tea. and
then [illegible] put [illegible] in Miss Malone's
room. W. Crookhurst came [illegible]
Ruff for maintenance receipts. [illegible]
[illegible] marked drawers. Temp 99.
but feel much better. Mark reading at
[illegible] G. came up to see me. Feel
[illegible] & [illegible] for [illegible], [illegible]

Saturday
Friday, February 7

Slept well. Cold and quite better
woke 7.45 Sunday and rainy. Tried

~~Saturday~~, February 8

out C. [illegible] to get p
to have his bath early, but
could not the result [illegible] then
no [illegible] catarrh no hot bath.
After breakfast moved to C's
room and read "[illegible] of the
Waters" then and back to my
room. C. to church. Martin
& Parker left for the day before
luncheon. Very cold. Came
down [illegible] in sitting room.
Read papers wound clocks &
up to rest & slept. Came
down to be alone in sitting room.
Worked on accounts. Back [illegible]
6.4. Temp 98.6. Accounts [illegible]
Then started reading Merton.
Stopped for dinner. Told A to
telephone to [illegible] and [illegible] message
for Martin [illegible]. A. came up
to let me [illegible]. Stopped for
[illegible] post script. Letters [illegible]
not [illegible]. Rain in evening
with Wilders [illegible].
Read Merton till 10.45. Did
not [illegible], but [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] and heated [illegible] until [illegible]

Woke before 5 and did not sleep again properly

Monday,
~~Sunday~~, February 9

Soap rationing but Mrs Hook says we have a good deal left. [Septuagesima.
In to C's room. She had a letter from Mrs Milnes-Earle, mother of Read Songer offering to take A. a paying guest. C. ready to accept. But she says that Beckett knows her daughter Lady ... as a "home-breaker" and that John says she had his flat before ... an ... living with Mrs Aitken. I said better make enquiries before ... A, and she was furious and said that I could support A. Back to bed [redacted] in my room. Up and went out in fur coat. Down to wood. ... Charles has cut down a lot of trees & left them lying. Stone steps stairs to ... done. C. had them out to ... joined me in sitting room. She had written to Gladdie Wyndham about Mrs M. E. last night and she agreed to telegraph & ask for advice. Tel. opp. C. and Norfolk ... about taking ... Bird to dine. ... in my room. Tea ... in the sitting room,

Mrs Cunningham, Read Merton. C. & I dinner in sitting room

C. ... tea. Merton ... up & finish...

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, February 10

up 7-45 Breakfast in bed. C. [illegible]
letter. Opened case of wine for Bailey
& took it empty also [illegible] case to
Station by Taylor. Found [illegible]
and telephoned to house to get ready
for [illegible]. 10.20 train. Bad wait at
[illegible] & [illegible]. Bee Augusta, [illegible]
& Ralph [illegible]. Talk [illegible] about
card board. W. Martyn Skinner.
[illegible] apples Victoria & a train
sandwich. To Nat City Co. but
had not been advised of C's cheque
so could not change it.
Office about 12.15. Felt pretty
weary. Tel. to C. who has
heard from Claudie about Mrs.
Miles/Kirk and asked me to give
address to A. which I did.
Dictated a bit and looked thro
papers on desk. Talk Miss
Mead who seems to be doing
well. Lunch at desk. Talk
Somerset who is helping [illegible]
sign letters. Slept in train to
[illegible]. Read papers. W. [illegible]
Taxi home. Put away wine. Talk
Charlie. Smith was in [illegible]
[illegible] I collapsed. Dinner w. C.

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, February 11

up 7 o'c. Bath. Breakfast
in bed. To station
in Taxi to [illegible]
Robert Mathias. Very [illegible]
about act [illegible]. W. letters
about giving up night watchman
at High Park Gardens. W. to
ask Sir Ian Hamilton if he
will take Alfreda and Vera
Moseley as paying guests. T
Hills, no apply. Got Boyle's
Water & Fellows' Syrup of Hypophosphites at
Phillips. Mrs Bagshaw called. Miss
Cook copied W. & C. letter. Annoyed
at Mrs. [illegible] Derek Patmore's
about Romania. [illegible] returned
luncheon at desk. Read proof
of Management Revolution. Tel.
Nat City Bank and B.C. bank
about Christmas cheques.
Tel Agatha before lunch, about
Mrs Malone having [illegible] A 'had' forgotten
to go to see her! Mr Head [illegible]
look depressed about Mr T[illegible]
S. left & corrected Management Revolution
in bed. Afternoon sat w. A C. by fire &
dinner in sitting room. Neither of us [illegible]

Taxi home last night and to station
in snow – Thursday, storms this morning
~~Wednesday~~, February 12

Bath – breakfast in
– bed. New season ticket. [illegible]
comes in Georgie. To Mr. Mundy
& got 4 lb. New Zealand honey. To
Salomon's but no apples. Kippers.
Dictated and checked up a lot
of stuff. Talk J.A.T. Says he's got
telephone extension fixed by his
bed; seems fairly cheerful and
resigned. Sent Menagerie Book
to Clyde [illegible]. Read Ms. at lunch
at desk – rather dull Memoirs of a
journalist. Long talk Mr Clifford
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Signed letters. To L.A.
but she was at Central Hall pre-
paring for meeting tonight. Home
5.15 & slept. Read papers and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Flea [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] being [illegible] for
[illegible] purposes &. Also politics in
Beaverbrook's [illegible] of a new anti-
tank gun. Taxi home. Talk E. [illegible]
[illegible] opera etc. Discussed letters
[illegible] [illegible]. Did not dress. Din[ed]
in sitting room. Read papers. Bed
at 10 o'clock. [illegible]

Up 7 o'c. Bath and breakfast in bed. Hardly [illegible] from

Friday,
~~Thursday~~, February 13

morning. Walked to station. N.E. letter from [illegible] but top floors shut up and no room w. Draft letter to economists about Managerial Revolution. No apples at Hulls. D. [illegible] Mrs C. Done my ashes; for Ben and Bigland in [illegible]; Tel. A. Went to see Mrs Milner Cade and she seemed doubtful. Waited about for Mr Miller who never turned up. Luncheon smoked salmon sandwich and Guinness at [illegible] Tavern. Out to Bull's to look at samples of tweed for coat and skirt for A. Did not seem able to find one to suit. Sit home. German battleships Gneisenau and Scharnhorst out in Channel and home in the aft. Slept and read. Mo. Walked home [illegible] late again. Read papers & [illegible] [illegible] disaster - 42 planes lost. A came home for dinner. Went to stay with Mr Milner Cade

CORADO DEAD

Woke Saturday early, as I am drying
lately. ~~Friday~~, February 14 up 70°c
and breakfast in bed. Cold &
[illegible]. Took my 2 bedroom chairs
to Price Allen to be mended. Tel.
[illegible] about radio and fire in
N. Room. Tel. Tullett about
[illegible] Stove. Tel. Chichester
about S[illegible] [illegible] and
Lindalls. W. Chapman [illegible]
Talk [illegible] about
collapsed steps which he will
rebuild without [illegible] buttress.
Moved furniture to S[illegible] from
[illegible] where it was
getting wet. Talk [illegible]
about [illegible]. Compared Cable
of [illegible] in [illegible]
Carrier. To Black [illegible]
and got a dozen bottles
of [illegible]. After lunch C.
[illegible] to get [illegible]
Mrs Melrose [illegible] for A. which
I [illegible]. Rested after finishing
letter to Chas [illegible]
[illegible] association. A. at [illegible] for tea
& up tea in sitting room. Read papers.

Cold but not un pleasant day
Woke as usual

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, February 15

early — about 4 o'c and did
not sleep properly after. Up
and bath. 7.15 Breakfast
by fire & sitting room. Wound
clocks. To Jack Brownes but
he was out in fine practice
for [illegible] Grand. I do wish
[illegible] expected to [illegible]
[illegible] Cheery [illegible]
[illegible] the week. Cut down
[illegible] a beech hedge by [illegible]
and brought up [illegible]
[illegible]. Looked at [illegible] and
chickens. Found [illegible] G. who
had [illegible] Nicola in [illegible]
A. We looked at [illegible] where
trees had been burning [illegible]. No
[illegible] but papers
[illegible] politics [illegible] after
[illegible] co. After tea [illegible]
spent afternoon getting out old
Parish papers & [illegible] for
[illegible]. After [illegible]
for A [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] it [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

Woke at Monday, & after that [illegible]

naps ~~Sunday~~, February 16 after. Up

and bath 7 o'c. Tel. Norfolk

Agency but [illegible] away. Saw Smith ~~Sexagesima.~~

at Station and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

W. [illegible] on his father's death

office 11 o'c. Cleared current papers

and dictated a lot of letters

getting [illegible] under. Signed cheque

for Mrs Mead and [illegible] [illegible]

orders. Telephoned Mrs [illegible]

[illegible] about Alfred's. Seems [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible]

Walter. Thinks [illegible] [illegible].

Can't get anyone at Foreign Office

[illegible] with [illegible] [illegible]. Says [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] time prophesied big

Cabinet changes, about [illegible] the

[illegible] middle of March. Got [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]. No apples [illegible]

at Buckland [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]

has passed [illegible] [illegible]. Read [illegible]

[illegible] till 5.45. [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] 6.15. Read papers. Met A. [illegible]

[illegible]. She [illegible] but [illegible]

and [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] & after [illegible]

Woke at 3 this morning [illegible] [illegible] down after [illegible] [illegible] without

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, February 17

sleeping much. A. has bad cold. [illegible] has a big [illegible] [illegible] Shrove Tuesday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dinner at Embassy. [illegible] [illegible] grey. Started long letter to [illegible] Wellesley in train but my paper [illegible] at Epsom. Read Singapore [illegible] papers. Got [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Phillips. D. attended. Call from a man who has a [illegible] [illegible] of French [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]. Talk M. Frederick who made good suggestions for [illegible] in S.A.T. [illegible]. Lunch [illegible] & talked to [illegible] Wallace who [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] had M.C. [illegible] M. [illegible] [illegible] Brown, talk to [illegible] at [illegible]. Talk [illegible] [illegible]. Talk J.C. [illegible]. [illegible] Malaya [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] good [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Martin and [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] C. [illegible] talk after dinner about A's [illegible] & [illegible]

make at 2.30 and slept badly
after. Wednesday [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to ~~Tuesday~~, February 18 be worn
she did not take a bath, but says
she is all right. walked Ash Wednesday
to station. J.G. followed in taxi.
Talk in train agreed A. goes to Mrs
Milnes Lady on Monday for the under-
standing that she gets a job at
the embassy. Taxi no. 9 to
Piccadilly. then 35 bus. Got
packet of [illegible]. Apples
from Mrs C. Gillies [illegible]
Hyde Park Gardens, met J
morning. To Athenaeum for
lunch. A [illegible] [illegible] in
practice and later [illegible].
[illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] comp
and [illegible]. Talk Mrs Mead
about Mrs Smith's [illegible]. Wr.
letter to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
electing a [illegible] [illegible] to
Athenaeum. [illegible] with
Clifford. [illegible] [illegible] in
[illegible] for Abbotts [illegible]
met G. Victoria and home 6.15
had telephone only by 5.30 but could
not get hold of G. who was having her tea
[illegible]. G. later [illegible]. A. + Cecily
[illegible] joined us at [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] + [illegible]. Bed 11.30

A. ill [illegible] cold as I found when

~~Wednesday,~~ Thursday February 19

Dr. [illegible] [illegible] early
Tues: I ask [illegible] instead
[illegible] after [illegible] one from
Thurs; but the cold nothing [illegible]
when Dr. I gave up again that [illegible]
from which little Dr. Mrs [illegible]
suggesting going [illegible] back
[illegible] [illegible] out again
Read long letter from Aunt [illegible]
enclosing an attack of [illegible].
taught A. [illegible] [illegible] after [illegible]
and then family [illegible] [illegible] go
out [illegible]. To old Fort [illegible]
Club Premises to look at [illegible].
[illegible] by appointment but Mr
[illegible] to [illegible] then and place
[illegible]. Call for Mr Jackson [illegible]
paper. Call for Mr Thom. Tel.
S.A.T. going to Birkenhead
Hospital [illegible] at least 4 weeks.
Call for Mr [illegible] Forth & Clyde
Jacket [illegible] [illegible] Mr [illegible]
garden [illegible] [illegible] Mrs
[illegible] about [illegible]. Called
for S. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] (Mr [illegible] back to
calling S.A.T. [illegible]. Home 6.15
A. in bed. Mrs [illegible] & Jessie out.

Friday
~~Thursday~~, February 20

Slept well in side bed. Still cold
spoke to [illegible] about [illegible]
changes at [illegible] stages.
Met Ray's man in Station road and
asked tape measure in dust. Walked
in current a/c's in train. Cheque
for £246.14.10 recd fr. R.B.P.
Cut down first called Corey.
W. letter about Bruno's and
Beaumont Ballet [illegible] for
Miss C. to copy. Sty telephoned
[illegible] - Read Nattras [illegible]
to Mr Harriman. Dr. [illegible]
desk. Applied for [illegible]
to Miss Smith's [illegible] up.
Read and [illegible] Mrs [illegible]. Cen-
tral Agency. Asked Mrs Cook
to take charge of cash book
entries: 5 of them. Slept 6
Bus trip. Stafford Cripps is
[illegible] Lord Privy Seal. Put in
on [illegible] train [illegible] my [illegible]
and dispatch case in [illegible]
& I walked. Bath & dressed
Talk after dinner. Mrs [illegible] leaving
on Monday to find a house.
[illegible] and A. [illegible]
[illegible]

Slept Saturday, late as
calculated ~~Friday~~, February 21 Breakfast
10.30. To Amersham Stores
and got cash for the wages
& draw cheques & bank
charges. Down to wood w.
C. to see what she has cut
and planted. Seems good.
She & I to village. No
beer at Black Horse.
Fish pie for luncheon with
my Kathy. Spent afternoon
cutting down tops of beech
trees in hedge. At about 6 the
Girls to matinee at L'hampton
in car. Had tea with them
5.45. Accounts. Bath
and dressed for dinner. My
Turkish delight never appeared.
Girls sat in North room.
I read papers. General
satisfaction at Stafford Cripps
appointment.

Slept Sunday well again and
late. ~~Saturday~~, February 22 Breakfast
10.15. Wound clocks.
C. and girls to see Viols.
Mrs Maynell very old and
frail. I cleared up birch
thigh trimmings and brought
various boards to yard.
Started to bank in [illegible]
[illegible] against. Chicken
wire to protect them from
N. wind. After lunch to
see Evelyn who suggested
Nurse [illegible] toddler for
Cottage and that Mrs
Firkins is leaving at
[illegible]. C to see her. She has
cut [illegible] & to [illegible] [illegible]
work. Advised moderation.
Finished bringing birch trimming
to yard and banked more
[illegible] round chicken
wire. Tea and W. [illegible]
Cocktails before dinner.
Very cold but by fire & later
to [illegible] [illegible]: C. Great to-do

Calder [illegible] [illegible] but Mr [illegible] [illegible]
Change Monday. Today. Spoke to
~~Sunday~~, February 23
letters about [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Pen [illegible] A. [illegible] Putnam. C.
[illegible] [illegible] courage ~~[Quinquagesima.~~
Read letter fr Martyn. A. H. with
Perkins. C. took A's things to [illegible]
Lodge. I got some [illegible] at [illegible]
Read letters and cleared top layer
of my desk. Dictated a lot. Edward
[illegible] [illegible] party my A. M.
[illegible]. Miss Cook doing cash
book. Out to get [illegible]. Stopped
at Cameo Corner & looked at amber
and turquoises. Paid bill. Mr
[illegible] came briefly at lunch
and stock-sheets. His afternoon off
from his bus driving this week.
Talk Mr Miller about his wife
alone [illegible] at Ambassador and
about packing stuff at office.
Signed letters. Called Mr [illegible]
no news of Lewis. Met C. & H. at
Trevor Place and on to Soviet Embassy
Lord Cecil, Lloyd George, Eden, Mr Churchill
Spoke to Winant and tried to introduce
C. & A. but missed in crowd. Talk [illegible]
M. [illegible]. [illegible], Sinclair, V. Bonham Carter

Not quite Tuesday so cold, but still
N.E. wind ~~Monday~~, February 24 Spoke to
John about making fires for Mrs
Miller in cottage. Had spoken
to her last night after Mr T. [illegible]
has given huge [illegible]
People talked in train and I
could not speak to them
- eat dried fruit [illegible]
[illegible]
Talk Miss Mead about ascertaining
and long talk Simmons about
engineering by customs about
[illegible] of N.Y. Letter for
E. Cook packer. J. D. [illegible]
Mrs C. Call from Mrs Thomas
and engaged her as typist.
Lunch Athenaeum. Out for [illegible]
about Caillaux [illegible] of Russian
[illegible]. Mr [illegible] at Courts
[illegible] post. Signed letters
[illegible] Read Lady [illegible] book in
Quarterly. Papers tell of
Churchill's defence of his old
colleagues and insult at their
departure. The man is going down.
[illegible] walk home. Tea [illegible]. After
dinner listened to debate in Commons.

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, February 25

~~SHROVE TUESDAY~~

Cold again. Took up morning [illegible] after A. [illegible]. Taxi. I walked as usual. Talk in train. Sat in Club [illegible] in company with Lady Howard's [illegible]. Started letters which I finished in office. Pastor E. Cook waiting there for me. Talked to him and tel. to Spurgeon's & Hutchinson's for reference. Engaged him for next Monday. Call fr. Mr Thomas of thanks on his giving Peggy a gift. Opened letters etc. Taxi to Dorchester. Met E. and Marguerite and Lubin. Said goodbye and E. & I to Pilgrim luncheon to Averell Harriman who spoke. Talk Lady [illegible], Rubert [illegible] Matthews, Seymour Leslie, T. Anderson & got [illegible] silk braid for [illegible]. Signed letters & read [illegible] MSS. Met E. Victoria and home by 6.15. Talk to night-owner at [illegible] and gave Phillips a little [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] fine performance. Much impressed by Orpheo's (at opera in London)

Still cold. Canadians in mock battle at [illegible]. Seem very green at it. But say they use live ammunition.

Thursday, ~~Wednesday,~~ February 26

~~ASH WEDNESDAY.~~

W. S. A. T. in train & went on with letter to Marty Skinner. Cut [illegible] lines at [illegible] [illegible] Phillips's & tried all about for hot water bottle but not [illegible] [illegible]. Office 11:30. [illegible] [illegible]. Call for Philip Taylor who told me about his new [illegible]. Said he had been given indefinite leave for calling down bad mannered officer. Paid him his advance [illegible] had been forgotten. Attended to things on desk. [illegible] [illegible]. Lunch [illegible] House. [illegible] on [illegible] at [illegible] by St George's Church. Tel. [illegible] about [illegible]. Tel for [illegible] & Roger not coming. Tel. [illegible] [illegible] Tel. Talk [illegible]. Arrived 5:30 and found [illegible] [illegible]. Thought might [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & read papers. Talked [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

before dinner. Read Shakspere after dinner

Friday ~~Thursday~~, February 27

Still N. wind but not quite so cold. Newell has [illegible] his [illegible] sawing wood. I am feeling tired, missed my Fridays [illegible]. Don't know if I can make the grade. Finished letters to [illegible] S. after 11 o'c. Talk Mrs [illegible] affairs etc. Dictated a bit. [illegible] fr. Sergeant Barrett. Got ½ lb. Chocolate De Bry. Called at Bank & [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] called [illegible]. Lunch Carrick - grilled sol. Talk Masters. [illegible] [illegible] no apples but got some pears [illegible]. Mr [illegible] [illegible] at Counter. Dictated & signed a few letters. Studied op. book & check reports. I think I can get the hang of it. Talk Clifford about travelling & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] over. [illegible] home. Ph. p. c. to Mr [illegible] & [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] end of week. Walked [illegible] for [illegible]. Talk Mr Fredrick before & after dinner. He & his wife [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Saturday ~~Friday~~, February 28

Breakfast 9.30 Down 5
[illegible] and get cash
for wages. Talk Charlie about
the cellars. Talk Scott about
beech fuel. I'm extending pergola
away of [illegible] Jack Horne and get
3 bottles of ale. After lunch
called up Norfolk Garage to
bring [illegible] car for B.
[illegible] [illegible] Take [illegible];
[illegible] beech hedge by Cross
[illegible] almost too [illegible];
Taken by C. A. had come home
9.00. Tea. Called up Tallett
about Woodford's [illegible] at
Petworth. Gave Mrs Mills
medicine for cold. Jack Horne
is getting on with [illegible]
Read papers. Daily Mirror
and Whitehall letter are
increasingly working up to a
campaign for Stafford Cripps
as Prime Minister. Cock-
tails before dinner. After
dinner A. & I had early
listened to wireless music
Read papers. Bed 11 o'c

up late. Breakfast
10.30 Sunday ~~Saturday~~, March 1 Worked [illegible]
G + I to Church. I went
[illegible] Emrys and [ST. DAVID'S DAY.]
paper for apply. [illegible]
[illegible] letter [illegible] but
B. obstructing. Everything
seems to [illegible] [illegible]
A. washed her hair with
a little peroxide. very
unwillingly. To lunch with
Mathesons. David home on
leave. Last of Xmas pudding
for lunch. Walked in
afternoon [illegible] thus – G. + A
and I to tea with Viola. To
meet Beb, Cynthia and
Leslie Hartley and after
to see Mr Meynell after.
L. gave us 6 eggs. Offered
Leslie £200 for a novel. Tell
Fitzpatrick story. Bath, dined
Talk and read papers after dinner.

Monday, ~~Sunday,~~ March 2

~~1st Sunday in Lent.~~

N. wind and cold again after spring – like yesterday. I. read Polly Peabody's book yesterday and took a great dislike to her. A. back [illegible] by 7.50. T very tired, lots of stitching. Did Ambulance accounts for Feb. Got meat pie [illegible] & Cake @ 4, Russell St., and when I reached [illegible] found that Martyn S. wanted to have luncheon with me, and spent letters signed cheques etc. New packer Cook seems to be settling well and Miss Thomas fine at work as are H.P.C. little Call for Jackson and we went over paper programme before lunch. Martyn Prescott. He is back off Christmas and is quite cheerful [illegible] – a hopeless [illegible] making great friends now. [illegible] Dec. [illegible] for . [illegible] Miss T. made a good many spelling mistakes but will do. Home 5.30 Started letter to M. – [illegible] [illegible] accounts, as two accounts

Talk Charles about spraying apple
trees. Planted [illegible],
levelling garden, and teaching John
to mind [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible].

Tuesday,
~~Monday~~, March 3

Finished letter to Mr. de Laffe [illegible]
F. A. accounts. W. Mantyre Skinner
returning long letter of Uncle Topper
Hassall and his own poem about
Tantalus written at 13½
Mr Sidney at office so have
Dictated Miss Thomas but she
makes so many mistakes
that there is not much use
[illegible] she will improve. Drew
up copy for Fleet.
Chap. English women for U.S.S.R.
Could not get [illegible] and had
lunch at Mark with things
I got yesterday. Read
[illegible] for words.
Read: [illegible] Scaftah Mr
Home 5.30 Staff so few I miss
[illegible] change at Palborough.
Had a good day in garden.
Pink gin for dinner. After dinner
read papers, talked and mended
fire. Spring has gone out of weather

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, March 4

O. Woke at 5 and con-
sidering getting up
15 [illegible] [illegible]. Decided to try
next Tuesday and agreed [illegible]
[illegible]. Slept again till 6.40. S.
[illegible] and rain. Walked to station
in next weather kit. W. Dick
[illegible] on draft of his
[illegible] [illegible] Pattern. N.
Sarah Bradley about her
proposed book on [illegible]
[illegible]. Tried to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Miss Thomas [illegible]
[illegible] and dictated more to her.
[illegible]. Baby Darwin [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Churchill
W. [illegible] an about [illegible]
evolution or [illegible]. Mr.
Frederick [illegible] office today. Had
Scotch Salmon at [illegible].
Dictated a bit to Miss Cook. Home
5.4. Slept [illegible]. Read
papers. Asked about trains to
[illegible]. Back [illegible] all but
[illegible]. A. + [illegible]. C. arrived by
6.12. Cocktails before dinner. C.
[illegible] headache all day.
[illegible] [illegible] after dinner.

Obviously bruised his eye playing
rugby
Thursday,
~~Wednesday~~, March 5
badly.
Woodward ill in bed. G. up to
breakfast with me. Walking much
better, almost forgetting to limp.
Accounts in [illegible]. Taxi via
G.F. Piccadilly and 38 bus to
office. S. away on leave helping
affairs. Call from Mr Jackson about
papers. Endorsed cheques and
looked thro' orders. Asked Mr
Mead to make out a list
of books for which we
will not accept orders. Met
G. at Jacquemar's and chose
a tweed for A's coat & skirt
which A. will look at to-
morrow. G. on to lunch
at Claridge's. I had sandwich
at Pond's. Call fr. Mrs Bigland
who likes jackets of her book.
Signed [illegible] letters. Did a draft
letter to Mrs Studdert Kennedy.
Met G & home 5.30. In evening
Isaacs who lost his spectacles.

M. called Ernest for dinner Monday

[illegible] talked about. cottage and

[illegible]

Mark & Friday. A. [illegible]

by 7.56 ~~Thursday~~, March 6 [illegible]

[illegible] and black [illegible]

Charlie's [illegible], in his cottage [illegible]

and [illegible] Chopin [illegible]

[illegible]. Cold and grey day.

[illegible]. Mrs [illegible]

[illegible] Cecil [illegible]

[illegible] list [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Chopin

and started list of [illegible] books

from [illegible]. [illegible]

of Wyman's and worked on

[illegible] general revolution [illegible]

[illegible]. Could not [illegible]

[illegible] must wait for another

[illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible]. Met A. [illegible]

[illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] crowded. [illegible] had

sandwich at [illegible] Park. [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] three [illegible]. A. [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] agreed [illegible]

[illegible] A. had chosen [illegible]

declared a lot [illegible]

[illegible] letter to Mrs Stoddart [illegible]

[illegible] book.

F

Saturday ~~Friday~~, March 7

Up 7 o'c. LETTER from G. No. 3. Prepared breakfast for family, gas in sitting room [illegible] waited for hot water. After breakfast got money for stores & made up [illegible] pay envelopes. Made up fire in N. room & tried to warm it for luncheon. Out to pay [illegible] and talked to Chambly and Humphy asked latter to make saw! horse. Latter has terrible cold on his chest. Worked over fire to get it to go. Down to office re: C. & got some at Bluff Store. 6 letter. Worked on tiny beech hedge. Fell off chair over board in piece of beech wood. Shook me up. Went on working but felt [illegible] when I finished and came in [illegible]. Sat down to rest on sofa. Mary & Asquith to luncheon. Rested [illegible] in afternoon and went into N. room after. Great success they liked each other, food & us. A. came home & chair [illegible] her coat. Worked on beech hedge. Tea 5.45. Talked C. & A. and paper before & after dinner.

Lovely sunny morning. Mild. wi-
S. wind.

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, March 8.

Up 7.30 W. and
dressed. Made up fire in sitting
room. Put basket in cupboard for
Mrs. [illegible] to put waste paper.
Sat in sitting room by fire 10 o'c.
w. [illegible]. Read long charming
letter fr. Charlie Lansdowne
[illegible] and went on w. tramping
[illegible] trees. C. & A. to see Viola
joined me when they came back
& we all came in to lunch.
After lunch I told them about C. L.'s
letter which they read and thought
delightful. A & I went on pruning
the [illegible] trees, she did a lot
and we nearly finished. [illegible] came
out - [illegible] after her bag &
and then we all came in for tea
Talked. Brushed A's tired [illegible]
Read papers & dressed and
made cocktails. After dinner
a good deal of telephoning for
[illegible]. A. and C. - A. I felt ill
[illegible] meeting. Then for lunch on
[illegible], 2 W. [illegible] to [illegible]

Monday
~~Sunday~~, March 9

~~2nd Sunday in Lent.~~

Started letter to C. [illegible] in train
weather clearing moderately
[illegible] walking
[illegible] in [illegible] dress and
met him again on Victoria
Embankment. Stairs [illegible] for said
good morning, when I got to
office Mrs. Thomas [illegible] and
letters from her and her mother
saying she was not good enough
and felt [illegible]. Dictated to
Miss C. and gave her letter
that I had written to copy. Told
Miss Mead who has a [illegible]
2 business. She said that Mrs.
Tenngrove told her on telephone
that doctor hoped to get Mr.
Tenngrove up next week. and
to see Mrs. Symonds and McNairs
at Fort Ed. Club. [illegible]
out for storing furniture but my
bookcase [illegible]. Lunch
at desk. Call [illegible] Hunt
about jacket for Aga Khan's
horses. Lent Clifford Jean
Hamilton's [illegible] article [illegible]
Signed letters. Home 5.30. Met
Louie at V. and again at [illegible]
Mr. [illegible] asked for [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. C. [illegible]

[illegible]

Card not different. Spoke to
Grant and letter about
printing plants and pruning.

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, March 10

G. up to [illegible] hospital.
Went in w. [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible]. Taxi w. C. to
ox. and St. and she went on to
dentist office and [illegible] shopping.
Looked [illegible] cases. Talk
Somerset about American account
and enquiry of Bank of England.
W. letters for Miss C. to
copy. Made dressing out of milk
pudding and had lunch at
desk w. cake fr. tea shop.
Met Miss Mills at office. Sent
E. home down [illegible] copy of "Out of
Africa". Signed ~~letters~~ and
4.5 bus to Victoria. Met C.
and home by 5.30. Changed
at [illegible] and talked
to Mercy & Mrs Pierce
and Dion in Slater yard. —
Chris M. asked me to accompany
[illegible] for R.A.C. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] w. the [illegible]
[illegible] Papa [illegible]. Wandered
out and Nannie helped at
dinner. Talked & read papers.

up 6 o'c and heated my water
on electric Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, March 11 kettle in
kitchen. Bath breakfast and
walked to station. to [illegible] by
7.56 train. Just missed the
[illegible] but got 6 packets
Nicotine tablets at Chemists
[illegible] again. Waited [illegible]
Caught 9.50 bus. [illegible]
saw a lovely little cat. Back
by bus and got train to
Victoria at [illegible]
Walked to Broad St. [illegible]
[illegible] Office 1 o'c. Signed
cheques & [illegible] at orders.
Clifford showed China atlas to
Phillips who bought [illegible]
it so I declined. [illegible] at
desk. Talk Somerset about
N.Y. account. He is going to
see Bank of England. Letter
re. Mr Thurston [illegible] not
coming back. W. Aitken for
Mr D. to copy. 5.30 Home.
Finished letter to C. Ferguson,
2 pp. [illegible]
7.45 at dinner talked about Bill.

Damp. [illegible] grey day. Spoke

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, March 12

to Oliver about pruning apple trees and planting trees at Marbo. W. Mercy sends Jalens for R.A.C. Read over my letter of Charlie Lane [illegible]. I think it wise entertain him & mother & daughter in Cannes who were here when my [illegible] of tea called under our [illegible] left paper in my pocket. Office. R.A.C. Signing cheques etc. W. [illegible] letter to son-in-law Gen. [illegible] [illegible]. Letter for Mrs. C. to copy. Call for Mr. Miller to sign cheques. Talked to him about [illegible] I found that he was applying to [illegible]. I asked what I lost in [illegible] [illegible] Salmon Museum Tea. Call for Jackson about paper based on Mrs. Eddy published in light of Key. [illegible] 5.30 home. [illegible] any tea. Gas [illegible] attacks in Victoria St. Few had no action. I had slight [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] papers & letter to C. for M. [illegible]

Sun but cold N. wind. G. & I
up to London together.

Friday,
~~Thursday~~, March 13

Asked Taylor about a woman
for [illegible]. W. Sib. Cly.
asking her to luncheon. Got
syrup 'Famel' Phillips. Office 11.15
Somerset here sub Bank of England
& they object to my dollar accounts
etc. W. long letter to the Lords
endorsed cheques etc.
Luncheon Bunny Carter Quick.
He was very nice but losing
his looks. Complexion turning
red and coarse. [illegible]
[illegible] of Leighton. Talked of
war. I could not understand
about economic planning. Said
best the German are finding it
Tel fr. Broad G. fell. Lost,
Feel terribly. W. letter for
N.C. to copy. Met G. 5.30
Victoria. Told her about G's ill
[illegible] at Pinkie at Pibero and drove
home [illegible]. Taylor. About to telephone
to Broad when he called one - C. was
found - sleeping in his chair! After
dinner W. many envelopes etc.

up 7:30 Breakfast 9.

Saturday
Down to ~~Friday~~, March 14 Square

got check at [illegible] store
to pay me. Tried to telephone
to Tullett and Woolford.
Down town w. Ed. Lunched
at [illegible] dairy; from [illegible]
[illegible]. C. & I to Capparis [illegible]
to see about plan to [illegible].
Talk to Mrs Caspari about
Mrs Nicolson - worked on
terms of bridge notes [illegible]
[illegible] Jimmy [illegible]. Pinks
[illegible] on getting his window
[illegible] in cold N. Y. [illegible]. Talked
at luncheon w. Pinks about
Anglo-American relations.
After lunch, went on learning
bridge till 3.30 when I [illegible]
up & telephoned to Tullett &
Woolford about store. Talked
to [illegible] about going over to
look at it. Finished learning bridge
& came to go to [illegible] Tea. Sat
[illegible] [illegible]. Alfred [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] met [illegible] M. E.

Mild spring day w/s.
~~Saturday~~ Sunday, March 15
sun coming out + grey;
up to 8. Breakfast 9:30
Wound clocks. To see Mrs
Crispin about Mrs Nicolson
and talked a music and
arranged past her forget
Stein Dinky's note to him his
friend nothing he does since.
To see Mrs Nicolson and arranged
for her + her husband
Come to see cottage this P.M.
Worked in bee bushes +
cut down a laburnum that I
had left too high. C. + girl
to go Vivien. To Black House
but no ale. After lunch talk
Mrs Nicolson to Mr Nicolson
+ C. Later Mr N. Mrs N. + Danny
arrived + I showed them cottage.
Dog + chopped out [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] past. Tried by C. + looked
at places for shrubs by tunnel. Tea
Fixed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] cottage, [illegible]

Slept again after dinner. Cocktails

Mild moist day. A. back to [illegible]. 7.56. She

Monday

~~Sunday~~, March 16

met [illegible], but [illegible]

[illegible]

~~[3rd Sunday in Lent~~

[illegible]

read [illegible] Chaplin's [illegible]

[illegible] Frenet. [illegible]

[illegible] Cut grape [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Talk Clifford who

[illegible] S.A.T. [illegible]

[illegible] it is dreadful [illegible]

[illegible] OK [illegible]

[illegible] Tel. R.O.C. [illegible]

Cup [illegible] at Victoria

[illegible] F. O. [illegible]

[illegible] Tel. [illegible]

Mild grey day. Clearly set to
Tuesday
~~Monday~~, March 17
in [illegible] in the land of Nyoni.
rain to go [illegible] to Peters[illegible]
Mr. T. Elliott as it might rain.
card? Of course. Home [illegible] in Croft
ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
Tell them [illegible] stone [illegible] C. at
Nannie up to London. Sir. P.C. to
[illegible]. W. Ellen [illegible]
To Commerce Cross but they
say they cannot fix C's diamond
pocket in [illegible] time. To M.
Harris to ask about lat. Ed.
Club book case which they
admit they have. Office [illegible]
cheques. W. letter from Mrs C. to
copy. Rumer Scott's letter to
Wayneman & C. Finance [illegible]
Mr. Hay on telephone & told him
about finding my book-case at
M. Harris's and he is taking
steps. Drew up letter from Fred
Edwards re Clyde's jacket. Met
G. and home by 6.15 train.
O. [illegible]. P. [illegible] Mr. Lewis. Rang
[illegible] took her & Mrs [illegible] in
[illegible]. Nannie on a taxi. Out to
[illegible] that stove had arrived.
[illegible] very good. First piece that
I had got. MacArthur at the
[illegible] Australia. After dinner [illegible]

up before 7. Talk to C.
him [illegible] at work &

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, March 18

Craft. Came on 5 [illegible] but I
[illegible] it and arrived at
station pretty wet. Dried a bit
— Industrial papers. W. Charley
Butler. W. Cattaneo [illegible]
pictures of Alfreds and [illegible]
running. I eat fish cakes at Imp.
Stores & cake [illegible]. Crown also
[illegible]. Endorsed cheques.
[illegible] their orders. Call fr.
Miss [illegible] and offered her
job as shorthand-typist.
letter to Standard [illegible]
Miss C. to copy. Checked
[illegible] proof. [illegible] fm
[illegible]'s [illegible]. Lunch
at desk. Tel. fr. A. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] (the [illegible])
Tel fr. Jones of B.C.C. — Tel. I
must have left my strap in bus.
3.0 home. [illegible] at [illegible] been
had been taken [illegible] to [illegible].
Anderson told me Phillips is an
[illegible]. I told him of my interest
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] anything

Pleasanter morning but clouding +
I broke my lashes + dressed 15
is grey & strong
wit. Cleaned up my bristles in
train in lavatory basin. Read letter
fr. Marilyn S & Ellenwood with
American culture + an ar. Also
in Singapore for Mr. Gabri
Chapters of his book. Call from
Mr Jackson about paper.
W. letter for Mr C to copy
lunch at desk. Talk Mr J
Somerset about contr. acc.
and Mr Bank & E. Call fr.
Herman Field who is now
asst. manager of a branch of
a big company of Stores. Gave
him Bon Jonson's bus book.
To Hyde Park Gardens + saw
Copley (Mr Beckett's butler) and
Gave the key Smith about Paint
Sign at Entrance to garden. Ey
seemed like a garden plot.
5.30 home with Phillips by S. bus 3
and walked from Trafalgar. Tired and
rather blue — on salt diet. E.
wants to talk with me less and less
— only Roaming; music after ...

Thursday,
~~Wednesday~~, March 19

Morrison attach. as Milner

Friday
~~Thursday~~, March 20

Beautiful night; no [illegible] out over our Church [illegible], but didn't come in. [illegible]; also breakfast went to [illegible] by [illegible]. Bath & hurried to station about 12 minutes. Finished letter to [illegible], [illegible] Marlyn 31 about C's [illegible] in letter to M. & sending Eleanor's letter about American [illegible] names, draft letter about [illegible]. [illegible] Miss E. To copy [illegible] from Mr Southworth who will come a week from Monday [illegible] at desk [illegible]. Mr Clifford talking to me about [illegible] and [illegible] books. Signed letters and worked on E and proof. Got cauliflower at Victoria 5.30 home. Two young [illegible] in evening turned out to be guests of [illegible] Vicar. [illegible] Anderson & [illegible]! A good deal of listening to music before & after dinner. Poor [illegible] Worthington accidentally shot by [illegible]. [illegible] draft letter to Bell [illegible] P. & F [illegible] Co. Copied [illegible] of Mrs Eddy

Saturday ~~Friday~~, March 21

Slept wonderfully and when called
dozed till 8.30. Breakfast
9.45 Down to Store for Clothes -
make up wages envelopes. Paid
men and talked to Humphreys
Nevill about Croft [illegible]. To
Mr Jackson at [illegible] of
all. Sympathizes that he [illegible]
[illegible]. After lunch out to rest
and play with Bonnets at
[illegible] lily pond. Crocuses
and snowdrops in full bloom.
Read letters fr. [illegible] and Mr
Cronshaw [illegible] W. [illegible]. A. [illegible]
[illegible]. Built fire in N. Room.
Sat in sitting room conversing in
whispers [illegible] C. resting above. Started
hunt for things for Red Cross
Sale. Tea and after practiced
piece first time since 16.
Cut off [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
John W. Gibbons arrived late for
dinner. Talked about [illegible]
John is getting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
After dinner read papers. J. P.
came in at 9. Arthur lost his [illegible].

Called [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 3 [illegible]

Sunday, Cat[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

~~Saturday~~, March 22

[illegible] Breakfast 9.30 W and [illegible]. Cloudy day with [illegible] N. wind. [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] Conan Doyle "[illegible] [illegible]" C. S. + H. to [illegible] Cathedral where High Mass was said for Caruso. Two little [illegible] the Brogan children in front [illegible]. Terribly cold. As I [illegible] [illegible] there seems to me in Catholic practice [illegible] signs of [illegible] [illegible]ality. And I noticed the [illegible] like those of the oldest priests and I thought they must wear [illegible]-less slippers. Preacher [illegible] life of Christ [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] the approach of human [illegible] [illegible] changed to [illegible] clothes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as ch + [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] independent life [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] got out Mannin, Muskets, [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], Microscope [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. "[illegible]" [illegible] [illegible] Case [illegible]

Sunny but cold. H. [illegible] 7.
[illegible] and [illegible] went [illegible]
~~Sunday~~ Monday, March 23

7.56. Saw Miss Miller about bags
but they are [illegible] in Miss M[illegible]
room. Church and [illegible]

~~[4th Sunday in Lent.~~

[illegible] W. duty and started
after to Washington S. [illegible] things.
Endorsed cheques ~~[illegible]~~ letter
looked thro' business, looked
through papers received for me
opened letters. Then had [illegible]
[illegible] a sort of grid iron [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] been changed [illegible]
for [illegible]. [illegible] St. Broad
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. T. [illegible] for S.A.T.
feeling better. W. [illegible]
draft letter for Mrs. C. to
copy. Cook [illegible] pretty busy,
[illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to leave [illegible]
[illegible] 5.30 slept [illegible] Dick.
Read papers. Walked home [illegible]
[illegible]. To see Miss Miller. E. worked
hard all day over [illegible] and [illegible]
which look very nice all [illegible]
hall. Did [illegible] going. She was
quite pleased [illegible] [illegible] about it. (Read papers [illegible] talked)

Woke a bit late. up 7.15 but

Tuesday

~~Monday~~, March 24

station [illegible] Caused

information in Cafe + Mrs By passed

on in taxi. Everybody at station

waiting as usual. Finished letter.

at 11 Weekly S. Bay & Baker

I kept busy. Day lead.

got at Lent & Propert office

Barret shop [illegible] & Hills

closed. Got Tom Chandler [illegible]

at Hills. Calls for Elliott

MacKinnon [illegible]

Called for Foster & Clyde &

Old Stag checks. Tel. for

Heather. Lunch Carrick. Chris

Brammall, who doesn't think

that Australia or Croatia should

have any consideration in

the matter of Carey. Jones

advises not taking too far & so

demand and wanted details of war

Mr Jones & Tilli's called and

we discussed excess profits

5.30 p.m. Tom Anderson & Phelps

for [illegible] Tom [illegible]

[illegible] left. South [illegible] bath

After dinner Checked accounts

Lovely morning; stayed in most
Wednesday
time [illegible] ~~Tuesday~~, March 25 / walked
slowly and nearly mused
[illegible].

[QUARTER DAY. Read [illegible] [FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

in train – very good. Col.
driving [illegible] 8 [illegible] and
[illegible] fly. Endorsed cheque.
Looked thro: [illegible] papers
paper application [illegible]
Mr Jaques on. Lunch.
D visited [illegible] night. Horatio
Burst out of his affairs;
Nannie, whom I regard as
G. & A's evil genius. H. is
living at his house, but
can't let it. Tel. A. is
going to Am. Embassy
Monday. E. paid Bodie's
St. [illegible]. Bell Bros.
Edith [illegible] come home Friday.
W. [illegible] Clyn. H. [illegible]
of sister [illegible]. Saw Leo Maxse,
Mary, A. E. W. Mason at D'[illegible].
A [illegible] dinner [illegible]. [illegible]

Read Times in ~~the~~ Mr A Arthurs voyage to Australia.

up 7.12 and rather a scramble but got to station in good time. Lovely morning

Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, March 26

Started letter to Leo Myers about his book. W. letters for Mrs C. to copy. Call fr. Miss Dorne Payne who has joined the W.A.A.C. & drives a motor ambulance. Call fr. Mr Thurm. Lunch at desk. Out to Crichton. bought a strap to carry my despatch case & asked about cars for refugees. Mon letter after lunch. Dull. tired & decided to take 5.4 home. Nearly missed it. Found myself reading and comfortably. Dull. Sunny evening. Read papers. Daily Mirror defended against regulation 2 D in hands & [illegible] indication [illegible] asked me about Miss Branch. Called Crowh. next two nights. Filled fountain pen and [illegible]. Cissie. C. [illegible] but Lottie has been there. [illegible] the [illegible] she has [illegible] [illegible] tried [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

weeks at Friday 2.30 and so
angry at ~~Thursday~~, March 27 Mussolini-
bullying of Daily Mirror [illegible] slept
again. Up 6.45. Took Nannie
up to [illegible] to [illegible] Mr. Chapm-
an Carolle. Mrs Stamp brought another
[illegible]. C. & I up to [illegible] together
[illegible] [illegible] J. said that there
had [illegible] to [illegible] American
Terry [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
in. Agent for Carolle. I worked
on letter [illegible] in train and
read letter fr. Horatio. Took
in: C. to [illegible] dresses in Dover St.
walked to Consulate and saw
acting consul [illegible]. Says
A must register for war work
as an American. If she keeps
her job in Embassy they will
keep her from being called up.
Office [illegible] letter [illegible] C. [illegible]
A. called up. Cracked her leg
against a lamp post in black-
out. Should she go to a doctor?
I said yes. She had luncheon
with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
I had luncheon with Bruce Lockhart
at S. & T. Club. American [illegible]
with Scott Wilson. Bruce is good
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Breakfast Saturday, 9.30 Got

~~Friday~~, March 28

Mr Dewham to prevent Emilie's
meats cheerfully. Then out
since breakfast. to Stores
for cheap envelopes and
paid mine. Rosie Bird on
holiday, so cannot ask her
to come to live in cottage.
Got ale at Mrs Jackson's.
To Mrs Calder the shop with
A. and found some broken
China and cups for children.
Ruth's birthday and packets
of seeds for presents.
Considering possibility of
making Ruth's bad garden
After lunch out to get Bowen
and Harris to plant shrubs but
they had not come so I started
to plant them myself. Mrs
Cooper gave advice & G.
joined me after her cup.
A. returned with black eye
toilet. Home tea and I told A.
about. Couple's advice on
continuing her home. Carefully
opened case 3 coins for Berry
3 pieces before I came. Read
papers. I talked

Wound clocks. To church. Natural
Sunday,
dry of ~~Saturday~~, March 29 papers.
Mr Caspari Pitt and [illegible] who
prayed thro' all the hymns Palm Sunday
[illegible]. Took Evelyn. Christopher
getting up tomorrow and coming
home for Easter. Out w. G. [illegible]
in the improvements on W. bank
quite wonderful. After lunch [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Clayes to be
framed. Planted birch trees to
complete circle by side A
field. Joined by A & Esther G
and planted some more in [illegible]
Tea together w. Giselle very much
in evidence. Told A that there w.
[illegible] to liked [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
was so natural [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] artificial as when [illegible]
mother [illegible]. Tea precious
but A is not really warm
enough. Dressed and made
"Old Fashioned"s for C. & H. & I always
rather dine. [illegible] for A's Sunday night
at home. Talked & played w. Child

[illegible]

A. off by Monday 7.30 train to start

her first ~~Sunday~~, March 30 day at

the Embassy in the [illegible]

department & I spoke ~~[5th Sunday in Lent.~~

to Mr [illegible] about the [illegible]

[illegible] questions [illegible]

[illegible] Wash [illegible]

[illegible] Peppers, Dick & Petersen's

[illegible] (2) [illegible] London

w. [illegible] & [illegible]

[illegible] at [illegible] Call [illegible]

[illegible] Card to Mrs [illegible]

[illegible] letter to [illegible]

[illegible] Frank [illegible]

at [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] South [illegible] at [illegible]

Call for [illegible] place [illegible]

[illegible] Mr [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] Shears

[illegible]

[illegible] Saturday [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] 5.30 [illegible]

[illegible] Phillips [illegible]

[illegible] annoyed because I [illegible]

[illegible]

S. W. rain. Wet weather set.

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, March 31

Mrs Lockhart turned back
in her car fr. Cortina going because
she had forgotten something. G.
still cross. Left chaps at Eiffel
Seat in train fr. walking so fight.
Wrote for Neumann about Salt
Reprints. Finished letter to
Richard Thomas. Draft letter
to Bryce Lockhart. D. explained
a lot to Miss Smith wrote
and gave her letter to [illegible]
D. discussed Bundy situation
with Miss Mendl. Told Mr
Frederick probably [illegible] an
Ambulance girl to help. Off to
get chocolates [illegible] Easter Eggs.
Dr Bey & Plan Tree. Lunch
at desk. Call fr. [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] Fontaine [illegible] jacket
[illegible]. Signed letters. Motor
car driving lesson. Tea Victoria
G. [illegible]. Slept & sore throat
better. Lewis took me home in his
little car. G. surprised at all my events.
After dinner went out & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

Charly [illegible] coat in [illegible]
Told Mrs [illegible] &
Woodward to sit in outer room.

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, April 1

[illegible] will be down to [illegible]
in kitchen [illegible] on [illegible]. C.
Nannie, [illegible] and Jessie in taxi.
Jessie ill, going home to N. [illegible].
W. letter to Tom Pepper per [illegible]
Miss South went to [illegible]
w. C. to Basil St. [illegible]
Seems a mess. Dictated Mrs S
[illegible] Mr Cook's royalty
statements. Met C. [illegible]
and heard [illegible] ch. [illegible]
speak. Seems better about
lack of preparation for Allies.
[illegible] C. [illegible] tried to get
[illegible] to take D. to [illegible]
Stock. Mother dinner [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] Chuter.
[illegible] before change [illegible]
1 [illegible] snack place. Mrs [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to telephone
back to [illegible] to bed. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] w. C. & H. 7.30 & [illegible]
[illegible]. Very [illegible] C. [illegible]
as she always is when I am.

Slept well Basil St. Hotel
up 7.30 Thursday, ~~Wednesday~~, April 2 felt better,
No hot water, Delicious
breakfast — honey & brown
bread. Clothes W. till & prepared
myself & Father for Easter.
Cpl. Walker & Alfreds. Glad
she is having a real holiday with
her first time in her life
away from her Charlotte.
Dictated Miss Southworth; got
off Barclay royalty statements etc due
to June 30th 1941. Pleasant
luncheon @ Garrick with
Voigt, says Morrison told Daily
Mirror that their famous cartoon
might offend big oil importer!
Thinks German stand against
Russia this winter probably greatest
military achievement of all.
Got Chocolates De Bry; Telegram
fr Eleanor M-in-law has
fallen and broken her other hip.
Met C. Victoria & told her the
train. Home 7.15 Taylor can't
give oil lessons. Grills all right.
After dinner read paper. Bed

Slept until Friday. Came [illegible] up 9.5 [illegible] ~~Thursday~~, April 3 C.

[illegible] Built a box with bricks and washed out bricks with Jeyes fluid. GOOD FRIDAY Mended clock [illegible] and [illegible]. Read American novel about negroes. After lunch did Amberley private accounts for March. [illegible] [illegible]. Paid [illegible] income [illegible]. W. Mr Bird. D. [illegible] letter to [illegible] [illegible] also [illegible] [illegible]. Telegram fr. Eleanor ~~[illegible]~~ that Walter is [illegible] great improvement. After tea [illegible] Amberley personal. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] called. [illegible] for cod liver oil ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible]. Paper [illegible] Warren Fisher dismissed by Morrison because he sent letter to Manchester Guardian, criticising Morrison for [illegible] Blackheath [illegible] [illegible]

up late. Saturday. Down to stores
& get money ~~Friday~~, April 4 for wages
and made up envelopes.

Paid men and talked to Charlie
about wall between his garden
and Mrs Crane's. Talk Nevill
about digging up vicarage
passage ~~for~~ stone & gravel.
Down to village in C. & get
her money. Told Crookshank no
need for him to take up pier
found paid unless for fencing
flinty by him. Cut ale at
Mrs Jackson's. After lunch visited
Mr Miller's sister came to spend
Sunday & Monday. Out to give
Giselle a run in lawn. When
I came back Claudie & John Wyndham
had arrived in car driven by
Mrs Page who came to tea with
a little dog. Alfie came down
with them. Kept Giselle on my
shoulder afraid of dog. Tell
Lorenzo that he is optimistical.
Stay before dinner & that closet it
C. & Claudie [illegible]. Set clocks
for double summer time

up 7.30 Sunday, Woodward called
in early ~~Saturday~~, April 5 because
she was going to 8 o'c. service

EASTER SUNDAY

Breakfast alone. Wrote
Clarke. To Church w. G.A.
Claddie & finally John arriving
very late. Others left before
Communion. Burroughs [illegible]
back for a glass of sherry & I
showed them my walls. After
lunch, changed into my blue
knickerbocker suit. Finally
out w. Claddie, John & G.A.
Camp Point. Looked at camp
site then back & looked at
studio. Then Claddie & I rested
in chairs by fire in cottage
room. I find I have dropped a
stitch. [illegible] are out and
planted 4 beech trees. Sandwiches.
Tea. Out for walk back
to cottage w. C. [illegible]
by [illegible]. [illegible]. Old fashioned
[illegible] dinner and bridge [illegible]

WEDNESDAY

~~Sunday~~, April 8

Bank Holiday
~~[Palm Sunday~~

Lovely morning. Up 7.45
and to [illegible].
Buck Tree has been dug up
& 1 planted at front of
apple land in Croft. Read
letters in train from Martyn S. &
Tom Pepper. W. description for
Stonewall book. To Carters
about grass-seed. No honey
at Holmest. Edward Chap[illegible]
signed letter written yesterday
Col Nancy Hare w. [illegible]
Read letters. Lunch. Leo H.
& Alfreda at Boulestin's.
H. carried himself exceeding
well. Stayed on & talked to
Leo about his book till 3.
Signed letters. Dictated for
tomorrow. Dean Inge greatly
sweet & book of the Conversations. ~~[illegible]~~ Telephone
from S.A.T. Home 5.45. Copy
for Stonewall Jacket. Stopped at
station to fill in form for returning empties.
Stopped to speak to Churchill about pigs and [illegible]
about grass seed. After dinner read paper

Transplanted the [illegible]

Cecile turned up in the 3 [illegible]
room early this morning. Gave

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, April 7

A. 10/- for Taxi
[illegible]. Talk M. [illegible] at
breakfast about becoming head
and about saving Cinders. Walked
to station. Had S.W. very
badly and floods out. C. & [illegible]
up. I went the 9.15. A. & John on
bicycles & up by 7.30 train.
W. [illegible] M. W. Fuller [illegible].
C. having lunch. Went Garrick
& Maud & Wyndham. Got cod for
Cecile & sandwich & cakes for my
lunch. Endorsed cheques. Looked
through orders. Opened letters, paper
basket etc. Dictated Mrs Smith [illegible]
M [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] at desk. No cash fr.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Friday. Signed
letters. Motor put [illegible] 4.15 &
[illegible] a lot. Tea [illegible] Cecile
met C. Victoria and home by
5.15. [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] with [illegible].
Told him I was [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] about it. [illegible] [illegible]
and papers smoking a cigarette.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Cecile [illegible]
which are as [illegible]. & better

Cold & [illegible] with attacks
~~Wednesday~~ **MONDAY**
of pain ~~Tuesday~~, April 8 Breakfast
9.30. Put [illegible] & [illegible]
on Cecil's cans. Sat in the
and tried different gears
Found [illegible] [illegible]
& putting it into bed [illegible]
Just after 6 and found her
sitting up [illegible] in [illegible] pain
& depression [illegible]
Daddie's visit. Sir [illegible] and
Lady [illegible] to lunch and
over the place with us after.
He thinks highly of my [illegible]
but recommended springs.
They were surprised at all there
was. Cecil and John. Read motor
car instruction book and slept &
dozed till tea time. After tea
A. helped me with car practice
only 3 gears in our car! Took
Cecil out for a run and she
got on [illegible] and climbed it into
[illegible] [illegible] 2 [illegible]
Dressed. Cocktails. After dinner
C. & G. played Bezique. Put [illegible]
on Cecil's cars. [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday, April 9

Snowy. S.W. storm, rain + wind. got 8.15. Station all right in Burberry over[illegible] + snow boots and old hat; carrying new hat in pocket. Warm + dry in railway carriage. Filled in form for examination of children + sent to County medical officer. Started letter to Petras Central. [illegible] [illegible] beef [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. and [illegible] of Platters. Edward Chapman. Finished [illegible] [illegible] Received Leslie Hartley. [illegible]. "Sea Anemones" [illegible] [illegible] at desk. Worked on My Essay proof. Call from Colonel [illegible] who has been warned off helping me to work with My Essay but answers to all he can. Think we can bring board around. Signed letters 8. 5. 4 [illegible] Continued letter to Petras Central. Practice [illegible] [illegible]. a bit in m. car. After dinner W. Wrappers + envelopes for new village. Put away papers etc.

1. 3. p. + Philippine forces driven [illegible] [illegible] division, on Bataan Peninsula [illegible] from Indian Settlement.

Cool sunny early morning. Met Pain's car by station. to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], I then 37 [illegible]. W. letter to M-in-law in train. Endorsed cheques etc at office and left at 11.20 for [illegible] [illegible] Street [illegible]. Lunch [illegible] Bar. Saw [illegible] but not [illegible]. No [illegible] at [illegible]. Office again at 2.15

Friday,
~~Thursday~~, April 10

Dictated Miss Southworth. Doris out. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] very ill. 5.30 train home. Papers announce sinking H.M. Air-Craft Carrier Hermes. Lovely sunny day. Alarms [illegible] in Hampstead where I was [illegible] [illegible]. Made out [illegible] expenses for March, in train. [illegible] at [illegible]. On [illegible]. Talk Miss [illegible] about M-in-law on Station Road & Mrs [illegible] in Croft. Bath before dinner. Had [illegible] to get evening papers. After dinner [illegible] entries in [illegible] Book. Made up envelope of R.O.P.'s Estate Present

Saturday
~~Friday~~, April 11

~~GOOD FRIDAY.~~

Up 7.30 Sunny but cold
probably because of 2
hrs. daylight saving. Up by
C. with [illegible]. Lunched at
Daily Mirror. W.M. doesn't
want any more. Down to Square
and got money. Made up en-
velopes for wages. Talk
Charley about Spig & Ruth's
apartment [illegible]. Took C.
[illegible] to see cellar & studio
for [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] day. Down to square
w. C. & [illegible] to [illegible]
Talkie. Couldn't get any seats.
To studio basement and [illegible]
[illegible] glass etc & [illegible] box
[illegible] for [illegible] to
start. After lunch [illegible]
and finished cleaning ½ of cellar.
Back for tea w. A. who had
arrived from [illegible]. Lovely
warm afternoon. [illegible]
[illegible] back to get
[illegible] right [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

up 7.30 lovely day. Wound
clocks.. Sunday. [illegible] Busy chopp-

~~Saturday~~, April 12

& letters of [illegible] thanks for
prices of spirits. To Greenwich [illegible]
[illegible]. G & A left C. at Viola
and I drove [illegible] round by
Cashman [illegible], terribly narrow
escapes. Very different fr. my little
Austin at Swiss Cottage. Sherry w.
Violet Harrison. Talked of Ethel
Marsh & [illegible] over his [illegible] -
[illegible] about her play. Stopped
to pay Mrs Stamp 9d. [illegible] on
basket. After lunch [illegible]
[illegible] A. for A's [illegible]
got [illegible] one - [illegible]
with Freddie. Out to cut out
[illegible] branch of transplanted apple tree
but got difficult to [illegible]
[illegible] Freddie 1/6
Salome. Sent for A to help & [illegible]
we finished [illegible]
She & I [illegible] Arundel 5. left
car to be [illegible]. Were
[illegible] Ambulance station [illegible]. Was
[illegible] & Mr Goldsmith. Tea
[illegible] had kept [illegible]
at church for an hour [illegible]
[illegible] apple [illegible]
[illegible] out [illegible] North [illegible]

Rabbit [illegible]. A [illegible] day
Monday
7.5.0 train ~~Sunday~~, April 13 Tony and
[illegible] at Station. W. draft letter
to Pepper, [illegible] & read [illegible] Easter Day
[illegible] at Drake. Committee in bus & [illegible]
[illegible] bus. [illegible] notices to [illegible]
[illegible] in half an hour to [illegible]
[illegible]. Talking about [illegible]
which I [illegible] and [illegible]
stopping at A & N. store and asking
about signing for K.B.A. Said
it would be all right. [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] opened letters [illegible]
etc. Dictated Miss Southwell
[illegible] at Museum Tower. [illegible]
in [illegible] Marine helping. [illegible]
[illegible] bought bottle of champagne [illegible]
2.5.0. E[illegible] borders, [illegible]
[illegible] types. Talk McAlpine [illegible]
[illegible] by [illegible]
authors. To Science Catalogue
[illegible] in Station. [illegible]
[illegible] Snack bar. Read papers [illegible]
1.19. [illegible] Talk
[illegible] about [illegible]
[illegible] dress. Read papers after
[illegible]. W. [illegible] to [illegible]

up 6.45 Lovely morning &
Tuesday
~~Monday~~, April 14
[illegible] Breakfast, milk
& codliver oil to [illegible] at night.
Talk Hilles about work
~~[BANK HOLIDAY.~~
Gave message to Humphry for
Nuell to work in garden P.M.
& I would take [illegible] vicarage
[illegible]. Letter fr. R. Jenner & (Mus
says P. N. completely in charge of [illegible]
[illegible]. Copying draft letter to
[illegible]. W. draft letter to
Petrol Control about Cos
Evening [illegible] signed letters
etc at Ofic. On my way got
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Signed
letters written yesterday etc. Mid.
Feeds at Ritz grill. Pleasant.
Chicken. Sib [illegible] Bully Mil.
Intelligence. Richard Min. Inform
Alan Egypt. Mechanized [illegible]
Cavalry. Office [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] A [illegible]. 5.4 Home. Dressed
[illegible] and do some more [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] was [illegible]
AM. no [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
after dinner a [illegible] etc. retired

Bed last night 12.30 up 7.0 C.
Spoke to Wednesday, Newell about work

~~Tuesday~~, April 15

[illegible] morning [illegible] Mr Semland & C. came
in taxi, taking dog bag. C. dressed
too thinly. Cold in train. Made
rough plans of garden. Rec'd. K.
Williamson [illegible] letter [illegible]
Wales in Farrar [illegible]. Got dates
for Circles at Overtons. Got 3
bottles of whisky at A & W.
stores. Office 11.30 Dictated letter
to K. Williamson et al. & [illegible]
bottles into a big parcel & took
train to Dorchester where I met
C. & Mrs Tims & had pleasant lunch.
Had [illegible] received [illegible]
from A. Jessops who got me
some whisky & [illegible] bottles.
Back to office and signed letters
and then bus to Swiss Cottage.
Tea Station [illegible] including [illegible]
[illegible]. Tea again [illegible] back. Got
parcel of whisky etc. Dorchester
and [illegible] C. 11.5 home. Too
tired to sleep. Stopping at J. [illegible]
taxi on way home. After dinner
[illegible] spirit & letting [illegible]
[illegible] in Record books.
[illegible] very tired. Bed 11.50

Wm's Nash. Henry first or
night. [illegible] Stan +
[illegible] evening

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday, April 16

Took Spot [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
will. Got sandwiches & cakes
for luncheon. Has read letters
from Charley Betty in train &
L. Hartley novel Shrimp & Anemone
Call from Tackett about
paper. Got papers ready for
dictation. [illegible] at desk.
Call from Burridge about
Tackett's. Mr Feldner
came to see me about his
attack of scabies which he
had given to his wife.
Dictated a lot to [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Tea & cakes
5.4 train home. Read Hartley's
novel. Spoke to Chas & Arthur
about [illegible] [illegible] Shirley. Talk
Mr Miller about his scabies.
Changed and [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] papers & Hartley novel after

[illegible]; Gave Quiller a list of [illegible]

W. & I woke to another frost.
G. says [illegible] has head-
ache. Sun came out & I walked

Friday
~~Thursday~~, April 17

to Station. Arrived on train 1.10
because he was up that night
with an air raid warning and
never slept. Read Hartley's novel
[illegible] of pen at tea time [illegible] 1.45 p
m. I drafted letters for
Dad. [illegible]'s Panthespeon, finale
but essentially common place.
Office signed cheques etc. Left
4.30. More [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Met [illegible] 3.
at F. S.'s eating Pleasant lunch.
Signed letters. Call from Mr.
Frederick about station.
Worked a bit on Mrs Eddy. Home
5.30. Nearly missed train. 5 left.
Read paper. Opened box of old
[illegible] architect's scale rule.
Also brought out lot of
photographs etc. which I
[illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]
albums etc. Found photograph
of my father as young man;
strikingly like portrait which
must [illegible] [illegible] Dean Swift [illegible]

Saturday
~~Friday~~, April 18

They say there were bombs last night at Potsdam etc. sounded only from here, but did not hear them. Radio says people killed. Lovely day. Up late. Got money at store and paid. Started cleaning long garden. Down to [illegible]. No beer at Mrs Jackson's. After luncheon telephoned Dr McDuffer and made appointment for tomorrow after church to get his answer about finishing walls at end. Tel. Dr Bradshaw about getting Mrs Searle's matters into [illegible] also to look after children. Worked on plan of big garden. A. came home from London and dressed in country clothes. After tea she helped me check measurements of garden. Vermouth and gin before dinner. Finished the copies of big garden plan for Sunday night's conference.

[illegible] Times. [illegible]

[illegible] Aunt M. T. [illegible] is [illegible] down
[illegible] [illegible] fences.

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, April 19

Wound [illegible] clocks.
Fixed up Biddles box [illegible]
She had had breakfast when I
came down and I gave her a little
cod liver oil. Then I took her
up to E.'s room and she crawled
down into middle of bed & went to
sleep completely [illegible]
Went on with measuring [illegible]
garden. E. & A. to the [illegible]
in our car [illegible]. A. brought back
from [illegible] on Saturday
Talk [illegible] about [illegible]
after Church. He may be working
towards idea of [illegible] that I
[illegible] at [illegible]
Tony [illegible] Matthews [illegible]
[illegible] talk [illegible]
[illegible] E. [illegible]
[illegible] about [illegible]
A [illegible] children [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] has [illegible]
[illegible] which [illegible]
[illegible] garden [illegible]
[illegible] garden. Went on
after tea. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

Monday
~~Sunday~~, April 20.

[SUMMER TIME COMMENCES.
~~Set~~ Clocks Forward.

[~~1st Sunday after Easter.~~

A. back to London by 7 o'c train, having first [illegible] [illegible] to arrange [illegible] meeting. Met Mrs Frank Pyffer by station road, Walked along & hoped to get in first coach & walk back. Filled in application for petrol for motor lawn mower. Read New Statesman & Time & Tide. [illegible] at T.L.S. Bought fish for Bill and sandwiches for after. Spent morning sorting papers in desk after endorsing cheques etc. Lunched at desk. Dictated to Miss [illegible]. Called for Gordon Unwin. [illegible] Jones of [illegible] C. offices. Started list of [illegible] books. 5.4 Train home. Started copy for Managerial jacket. Read motor book. G. mended this morning and after tea. I checked [illegible] of [illegible] garden in order. [illegible] fruit and G. had some Italian Vermouth. After dinner various accounts and papers & G. & I talked about [illegible].

Checked plan of [illegible] garden
again in [illegible]. Cool grey
Tuesday ~~Monday~~, April 21
drizzling. [illegible] Sent S. &
[illegible]. Met Mr Mathews and
Cecily at Station. W. [illegible]
letter to Tell & Bruce [illegible]
about Richard [illegible]. Got
sandwiches for lunch. Endorsed
cheques etc. Little about the
State [illegible] which we [illegible]
[illegible] about. Checked [illegible]
& [illegible] swallow plate. Mr
Frederick at office. Mr [illegible]
son & [illegible] Mathew [illegible]. Mr
& him. Called [illegible] as [illegible]
Dictated. [illegible] Paul [illegible]
[illegible] Strachey. To [illegible]
lesson - [illegible] & [illegible] bad.
Dull misty day but [illegible]
evening. 6.18 [illegible]. Mr
[illegible] Kitson [illegible] at [illegible]
with Michael Wyndham.
Spoke to Chaffee about [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] letter from
Eleanor, [illegible] Colinda [illegible]
about her mother who [illegible]
[illegible] pneumonia after the
[illegible] trip. After
dinner read letters & [illegible].

Tel Dr. Bradshaw and Ann [illegible]
Natalie Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, April 22 about
Mrs Seuffert's mother coming
to look after the children with
Mrs Miller. Cold grey morning.
W. Maitland's chauffeur for taxi.
C. came up with me to have lunch
with Ida Crouch. Got beef-steak
at Empire Stores. Left empty
case A. & N. Stores. Endorsed
cheques etc. Dictated Mrs S'worth
[illegible] at desk. Talk Somerset
and telephoned bank about
Natalie and Maurice. W. M.
Miller about annual general
meeting for 1941 not started.
Driving lesson. Drove to
Highgate. Saw old house in
Southwood Lane. Tea Smart's.
Cafe. Met C. on 6.15 train.
She had some 1840 figures
[illegible] that she got at Mrs
Hackney's - thing - woman in carriage had
given it in the 'shop' with her. After
dinner listened to news & music
Read D. [illegible]. Talked of Beate
with whom C. had tea. Bed 11.0

[illegible]

Cool night misty morning. Very
Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, April 23
clear. 10. Chq.
fr Amberly Telephone. 10. [illegible]
38 bus. Got cigarettes
ST. GEORGE'S DAY.
Office 11 o'c. Endorsed cheques
etc. Dictated till 5 [illegible]. Talk
Mr Somersett about Nettle's
Insurance Co. Lunch Quick
Walton. To bank about [illegible]
receipt. To Dighton in Strand
where I found Mr Price &
Muckleton; & got [illegible] to
change [illegible] [illegible] particular
[illegible]. [illegible] Samuel to Dean
Sam [illegible]. Bus back. More
dictation & more talk
Somersett. Passed [illegible]
statements. 35 bus to [illegible]
& home by 5.4. Slept [illegible]
[illegible]. Practicing [illegible]. Con-
[illegible] sitting in [illegible]. At dinner
talked to C. about his [illegible]
complex and his [illegible]
[illegible] character. Listened
to Stories of intelligent [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] and his excellent
[illegible]. C. [illegible]

I

Cold North wind. Noise of manoeuvres ~~Thursday~~ Friday, April 24 in the night. Cecils having to stand up like a bear and to go to his cash box immediately after breakfast. Went up Quarry Lane to pay Paine's [illegible]. Drew cheque for Motor lesson. W. [illegible] about William Temple and on the [illegible] of the [illegible] of this Temple. Office before [illegible] to draw cheque. Signed [illegible] cheque. [illegible] through [illegible] Out to Swain's cottage for motor lesson. Back to Holborn, lunch [illegible]. Saw Butt. [illegible] [illegible] Companion. News of [illegible] and [illegible] Lang resigned. Office. [illegible] had called up. Called him up, okay, worked till 1.30 that night, may not come home for week [illegible]. Told him the [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] said [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Call for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible], and [illegible]

[illegible] upset by [illegible]

Saturday
~~Friday~~, April 25

Woke at 5.30 and could not sleep again trying to think of ways to persuade Gladys to make some effort to get over her lameness. She does not want to get well. Felt jammed and miserable all day. Paid nurse. Filled Gladys' pan with fresh earth. Moved the gr. N. room into barn. Started to [illegible] cottage garden. After lunch up to attic for frames for Alfreda's pictures. Fixed up the painting by D.H. Lawrence of Flight into Egypt and N. puzzles for framing. G.M. tea. [illegible] for on. Weeding garden. Alfreda came home very tired after two hours at Exhibition. Call fr. Mrs Caspari who wants to have a concert to help her raise money for Lord Mayor's Air Raid distress fund. Gladys sick in sitting room. Dressed and all [illegible] for dinner. Started to [illegible] out plan of garden. Listened to [illegible]. also read letter fr. Eleanor about M.'s [illegible] accident. [illegible] Russell called before luncheon She wants Churchill to go and

[illegible] Churchill [illegible]

[illegible]

BAD AIR RAID ON BATH.

up until [illegible] o'clock.

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, April 26

Worked on [illegible] [illegible] Cathy, [illegible]
Church; [illegible]. [illegible]
A [illegible], I took A's
pictures, D. H. Lawrence's Flight
into Egypt. Photograph of N[illegible]
Castle, Colour print portrait of
Camille Pissarro [illegible]
[illegible] to be framed. Went [illegible]
[illegible] Garden. Found [illegible] at Castle
[illegible] Lady Russell, talk [illegible]
[illegible] about [illegible].
Went about garden. [illegible]
with me. After lunch to Black
Horse [illegible] 6 [illegible]. Finished
drawing of garden plans. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to
Servants Hall; A found battery
run down and could not
start car, but got Taylor to
[illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], left [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Strensham. A. stayed
to dinner, listened to news. Bad [illegible]

Monday
~~Sunday~~, April 27

~~[2nd Sunday after Easter~~

Cursory [illegible] but still N.E. wind. Letter fr. J. G. Wellesley. Say Lewis very gay + treacherous. Valerie has developed qualities of leadership + courage. Good business + useful. Office [illegible]. Spoke to G. about letter and [illegible] Aids + suggested that she get up early to practise [illegible] + her stepping at once. Just as a matter of fact she had got up earlier and was asleep at the dining table. Read New Statesman in train. Call J. [illegible] at office. Suggested developing Civil trade that Miss Head [illegible], saying they didn't pay their accounts. Lunched at desk. S. joined letter I had dictated to Mr. S. [illegible] [illegible] about Q. and [illegible] very badly. Read papers in train + [illegible] air raid on [illegible]. Lewis brought me [illegible]. [illegible] G. about [illegible] + towards life of the [illegible] that I had started in train N. G. Read papers after dinner. Bed early.

Still cold N.E. wind. walked ab- w. Frank. Pepys generally

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, April 28

contradicting as usual. G. up to London w. me. Hunted in last years diary for date of our annual general meeting but couldn't find it. Recd letter fr [illegible] about N.Z. case: all going well.

In taxi w. G. to Off. fare 5/- o Busy on dictating and reading fr. Bull of Nivetts. Lunch at desk and read Murphy's Commercial Background of War – very good. Signed letters. More dictation. Started Managerial factor. Met Co. on Oc. 18. Young Canadian seen again in Cambridge whom G. met at Miss Rae's when she was getting 2nd Engl. tripos. Slept in train. Read papers & Murphy's book – good. After dinner read papers & Murphy & talked. G. to bed [illegible] w. [illegible] & [illegible]

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, April 29

Head weary. East. Practised scales, 3 minutes [illegible]. Mr Mathias to B'way [illegible] way. never [illegible] that night thanks Extra again. Talk to Murphy who happened to be in next carriage, all the way fr. Daisy to Piccadilly. Asks about his book. I had [illegible] the chapter present just before to get in. Seems very good. Left pearls and my gold pencil at [illegible] Corner. Mr Miller calls and we find Nathali & Maurice with. I telephoned to S.A.T. to [illegible] hard it. He doesn't get any better. Lunch Holborn [illegible]. Call for Murphy & give him £50. Dinner [illegible] Sherry at [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] beginning to remember this 1.15. Dressed and sat in upper [illegible] light draughts [illegible]. Read papers. Hot fingers at [illegible] when [illegible] learned that his brother-in-law

Wind stiff N. E. but cloudy -
quiet Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, April 30 quiet morning.
W. draft letters in Train
D - Dundas Police about Philip
Taylor coming and chief
Constable about 11 Mr. Casparis'
on out. W. - Admiral Sturge
Vivian returning letter sent
in error. D. called Mrs S.
Talk M. Thom about his
American orders for English
books - Lunch left Police
House - Pall Mall Court. Dr.
[illegible] here on duties
Guesses + Cheers. Talk
T.A.L. about sitting and buying
Dress. Talk Bergstahl and
Lady Kitt and the boy just
coming. Out T.A.L. when
[illegible] went Alter. Worked in
War against jackets. 5.30 home
[illegible] ship [illegible] present [illegible]
[illegible] 45 [illegible] and 5 - 600 [illegible].
Out in garden with C. Fallen [illegible]
+ [illegible] Wellington [illegible]. After dinner
[illegible] letters to W. [illegible]

Another cool bright morning,
w. N.E. ~~Thursday~~ Friday, May 1 wind.
Made list of extra expenses
for April. Read letter fr.
Sarah Bradley about [illegible]
[illegible]. Read Letty Duncan's
dull chronicle. Saunders taking
train and his wife rather dumbly
got in at Dalton; wondered
who they were, and then on plat-
form as I got out he spoke
to me and asked if I was not
Constant Huntington and said
he was Francis Howard. Signed
and endorsed cheques. To Swin-
[illegible] and had a good driving
lesson. Cut [illegible] & left
[illegible] for Dick. Lunch. Dined &
tea - [illegible] 7.6 and [illegible]
[illegible] Cana Corn. Got
signature - Signed letters. Finished
copy for Magazine ticket.
Dictated a couple of letters to
[illegible] C. 5.30 train home. On plat-
form w. Lewis, Widener, & [illegible]
who think E. Emmet will contest
Chelmsford against official Conserv-
ative candidate. [illegible]

Saturday
~~Friday~~, May 2

wind back in north, and
[illegible] day, but
warm in sun. Up late so late
breakfast 9. To get money
at Stores & paid [illegible]
50 [illegible] w. C. & pulled up
our parsley & broke off old
To [illegible] w. C. No beer.
Got [illegible] balls for
children. After lunch, cleaned
[illegible], about [illegible] etc. & [illegible]
cleared out [illegible] for [illegible].
Dan worked with [illegible]
[illegible] & Dorr to break off
parsley seeds. Tea w. C.
A. arrived w. Michael [illegible]
of Black Waltz in [illegible].
6 [illegible] to station in car, but
1 [illegible] driving. Dug up
dandelions. [illegible]
cocktails before dinner.
Talked to Michael after
dinner. He thinks English
[illegible] has done very well.
[illegible]
After dinner talked about
A's allowance etc.
[illegible]

before dinner. [illegible]

up late and felt [illegible] better
[illegible] all   (Showed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible])

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, May 3

Breakfast 10.15. Wound
clocks. Lovely warm day w.
S. Wind Mr Frederick has been
down since Thursday. E. & A.
and I to Grantham in car. I
practised driving and felt much
more confident while I found
I could keep speed down to 25
- top speed. Took Viola out
[illegible] [illegible]. 3 [illegible] [illegible]
out [illegible] [illegible]. M. Clare woke
up with gastric attack and
stayed in bed all day. After
[illegible] I [illegible] lunch [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] out [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
killed it on tiles [illegible] off ground
Then broke off [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
all afternoon. Joined by E.
4.30 and she worked a little
She had [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] A
almost to [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] out. Pulled off dandelion tops
after tea good [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]. Started to make [illegible] in [illegible]

Monday
~~Sunday~~, May 4

~~3rd Sunday after Easter~~

A. back to [illegible] early train.
Cool misty [illegible] morning
papers in [illegible] way. B [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
met Frank Duffy and [illegible] his
house & walked on with him
Christopher & David [illegible] at station
going back to school. W. busy
Harbord dealing her [illegible] about
her mother. Miss Southworth
away ill. Long talk Somerville
about Murphy. Talk [illegible] & [illegible]
Bank Manager about transferring
Alfreda's account to
Cadogan Place. Tel Alfreda
but [illegible] out. Aunt [illegible]
cannot come to Kimberley as
prohibited area. D. called
Mrs C. [illegible] at desk. Call
for Easter of [illegible], Motor
driving lesson. Very bad at
reversing but confident in
Camden in traffic. Home 6.18
Slept in train a bit but after
very [illegible] open [illegible] as usual [illegible]
up. [illegible] care throat. After home
accounts. Felt ill.

Slept HAIR CUT. badly [illegible] after electric
heat [illegible] Tuesday, ~~Monday~~, May 5 rough.
3 a.m.? but [illegible] quiet [illegible].

ROYAL ACADEMY OPENS.

[illegible] [illegible] Letter fr.
chief Constable [illegible]
copy & accept [illegible]
[illegible]. W. draft letter to
Mr Till about 31 [illegible]. went
[illegible] to Mr [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] girl. Got nails at Matthews
Paid 2.6 that I borrowed from
my [illegible] [illegible]. Miss Southwark
[illegible]. Worked up [illegible] copies
[illegible] with Stammers. To
[illegible] but Mr Cole says
it will take [illegible] 3 hours [illegible]
[illegible] so put it off till Friday
[illegible] Mr Wright 2 [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] St Paul's School [illegible]
[illegible] Museum [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] & cigarettes. [illegible]
[illegible]. W. draft letter to Mr
[illegible] N.J. [illegible] Egypt [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] at 5:30 [illegible]
[illegible], walk home w. Phillips.
worked on [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible]

~~Tuesday~~, May 6

Lovely bright Wednesday morning. Chaffing soldiers on manoeuvres. Met Geoffrey Brother in German uniform. To X Hospital with Maj Mathias. Started letter to [illegible]-in-law and then Francis Browne got in at Docking and talked to Victoria. Says Robert Mond funny or [illegible]. Says that in breeding the great hope for coming generations. Henry VIII was fathered by [illegible]. Dictated Miss G a terrible [illegible] morning. Lunch till [illegible]. Mrs Myers who likes another 40 chapters to read me. Read Mr. on life to Dawn during [illegible]. Good spirit but no literary quality. Talk S[illegible] about accounts and company meeting. Signed one or two letters. [illegible] lesson getting the [illegible] ½ pint butter at 7.8 [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] fellow! [illegible] C. in garden. Still, lovely day. She has had a large [illegible] mother. Amazed [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Another Thursday lovely day

~~Wednesday~~, May 7

Maple syrup [illegible] for [illegible] letter fr. Mrs Winant [illegible] for Roses and asking me to tea. C. up to London with me having lunch w. Kitty Fraser and seeing Gladys Robertson. W. draft letter to Dr. [illegible] and Mr. Brockway. Talk Mr Jackson of Times Paper [illegible]. Signed letters. Sorted papers on my desk. Lunch Garrick D. MacMillan and an old Home Guard member who said he approved of training men in [illegible]. Got hope for [illegible]. Signed letters and dictated [illegible]. Called on Sir [illegible] at University College Hospital. Back to office for tea. Mrs E. on 5.30 train. Slept w. window open but don't think it did me much harm. Worked a bit on garden [illegible]. Saw Charley Cope & told him [illegible] matter re [illegible] Gladys. C. out on terrace enjoying birds & view. Evening [illegible] reading. Gladys Robertson

Wind has changed to North

Friday
~~Thursday~~, May 8

east. Mathias at
station and her brother in
office afternoon. Drew up
announcement of Concert.
Toodie Howard put in at
Dorking but did not talk
much. Office in quest of
signed cheques. Looked thro
accounts etc. Drawing room
going cutting 11.15 C. [illegible]
letter. Lunch at Conds. Rest
plate with Ochre at [illegible]
To office with my old patched
up plate. Dictated Mrs
Southworth and signed letters.
Cakes for tea as I always
have had so I think it
suits me better. To dentist
& got mended plate. Showed me
new material for plate. Kind
of rain. 6.18 train in open coach
& slept to Dorking. Garth brought
up her dinner. meat and veg.
Read papers and listened to
wireless. Addressed envelopes
for [illegible] wages. Bed before 12

Saturday

~~Friday~~, May 9

up lattice. Fixed Giesele's box
w. fresh earth, and got
out garden chairs.
Down to store and got money
for men, made out wages
envelopes and took them out
to ~~[illegible]~~ men. Weeded in wood
and C. joined me and helped
break off cow-parsley. Down
to square w. C. She got her
money for [illegible] and I
got all at Black House.
When I went down for money
I met Mrs Caspari and
talked to her about concert.
After lunch fixed weights &
clock on landing. Then
finished bin for grass mowing.
Then came back to house
and found A. & Anne. I drove
car to station and met
Philip and got luggage. They
had [illegible] & C. & [illegible]
& P. walked [illegible]. Tea
then I finished cow-parsley. Fed
ducks in garden. Built
[illegible], [illegible] before dinner
Fixed Giesele's door catch also

[illegible] windows [illegible]
between broke plants to lead independents

up late each grey day N. wind
warm & Sunday. Wet and
fire & rain ~~Saturday~~, May 10 warm &
cheerful. After breakfast we
first Bishop, Mr Anne, Mrs
Hopkins. Idea of taking Sunday
to get back to such [illegible]
dropping G. at Grantham, but
found rain, [illegible] had
[illegible] to [illegible] some time ago
so settled down here. I went
to Mrs Cooper about
concert and brought back
branches of pink cherry
after lunch. down to fields
and saw some little blue
[illegible] [illegible] that came 2 or 3 days
ago. Chained old [illegible] [illegible]
But Cromwell grubbed out 2
~~[illegible]~~ back by [illegible] last
year. No bonfire site by
pig houses. [illegible] any [illegible]
lights [illegible]. Home & changed.
Tea & Coffee & [illegible]. Church
& [illegible]. Counted [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] list. Old [illegible] before
dinner. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] did [illegible], but [illegible]
[illegible] gas. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

ery mild morning with bits

sun. A. left early

Monday,
~~Sunday~~, May 11

hilip and Anne leaving by 11.10

arriage. altered and

~~[4th Sunday after Easter.~~

[illegible] coat is after coats at

trim and 13 tea. W.P.C.

te. Garden chair Mrs Booth or

uell. W. Season ticket charge

w. Angela Bull about getting

a small car. W. Ayling about

[illegible] Norman about Sandie

[illegible]. Tea and by [illegible] and

[illegible] talk about [illegible] Letter

from Burnett wi. cutting of marriage

of Frederick Chavis daughter and

letter of marriage of Nigel Andrews

etter fr. Vivian Temple. Dictated Mr S

[illegible] in drawing. Dinner at

[illegible]. Typed letters. Driving

lesson 4.10. Learned to put on

brake quicker + bring clutch

up slower on all starts.

Tea Swiss cottage before + after

lesson. Elinor called with E.

Hicks plans and rooms. My neck

[illegible] fr. station head [illegible].

E. had letter fr. her mother in her own hand

Cool misty morning. Slept late & no time for bath exercises. New Season ticket. worked on notes of Newman's Open Nights. Tel. fr. V. to ask Mrs Winant if I might come to tea today. N— I will telephone my office. Got whether for [illegible] Consul! Cakes for tea. Very cold. N. "wind" affable

Call fr. Mr Thieme about supplying American books in Egypt and Palestine. Dictated Miss S. Mr Fredenick at office today. Tel. Am. Embassy. Mr Winant out for the day. Lunch [illegible] Halpern. Burt & asked him about Indian Nehru paper. Jacket for Faith & Clyde [illegible] [illegible] within books next notes. Sent him a copy. They telephoned D. Gib & lights but could not get there. 5.4 train home. Bath, exercises but I missed them A.M. Warm and dust good Nannie helped in drawing room a bit. C. [illegible] me [illegible] [illegible]

~~Monday~~ Tuesday, May 12

[illegible] Nannie the evening [illegible]

~~Tuesday~~ Wednesday, May 13

[illegible] would not stand up for breakfast so I [illegible] give her any. Came at 5 [illegible] Little came in and spoke to me about digging up the [illegible] that the rain has come. I asked Arnell to help him. E & I up to London together. She had a relative cough & was terrible old. I finished letter to [illegible] Call from Mrs Staple who will come & help in morning at 30/- per week. R. dictated to S. I worked on Spring list Lunch at desk. Signed letters Drawing lesson 4.10. Drove to 31 [illegible] Rd. [illegible]. Garden looks quite well but no cherries in bloom this year. Practised [illegible] and then dinner and settled. 6.15. Was joined by E. She still [illegible] [illegible] my attitude to [illegible] Slept and read papers. After dinner listened to Radio [illegible] [illegible] but hardly talked at all. Up to bed 10.45

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, May 14

Ascension Day

Cool and grey morning. [illegible] not [illegible] appetite. Good [illegible] to [illegible]. This [illegible] looked pretty [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible]. Gave Mr Moult letter fr. Chamberlain about coal. W. Letter to Angela Burt about a car in reply to her. Started letter to Martyn Skinner. [illegible] Bond St, Herbert Johnson. Tel. Embassy to ask Mrs Winant if I could come to tea and later I had a message asking me to come at 5 o'C. Dictated Miss S. [illegible] by [illegible] programme for Ambassador's Car at [illegible] [illegible] Basil Bartlett, &c. fr. Military Intelligence & Film [illegible] School. [illegible] Salamander [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 13/ [illegible] Miller for book case £3.5. Tea Mrs Winant. She knew uncle James and also Mr de Gaulle. [illegible] days. 6.18 home. Thinking over Mrs W. she seems either very conventionally minded or clever not to give herself away. Our talk did not [illegible] about the [illegible] but I was surprised not to get any impression of professional ideas.

Misty morning Friday, that probably will
clear up into ~~Thursday~~, May 15 a good
day about noon. It would be
10 o'c by true time. I noticed
into so only ½ both exercises
at my hat at Amherst that I left
last night at Dibdins return
was asked about [illegible] for [illegible]
Started letter to Petrol Control
and Mrs Twells Hoare was found at Dorking
who talked all the way to
Victoria. Endorsed cheques etc.
Driving lesson. Lunch at Museum
Tavern. Cakes fr. Tea Shop
young man who offers a [illegible]
and so [illegible] 3 [illegible]
[illegible] Called about Mr Bird
ab after he is called up. Sorted
plated fr. Russell to be sent
to be melted up. Finished letter
to Petrol control and Mrs C.
copied it. Evening paper. [illegible]
ridiculous [illegible] fr. Petain
offensive. Can they be feeling?
Home 8.30. Slept & read papers.
Met Wisdom at P. [illegible] & talked
to Croft. Walked about garden.
E. [illegible] dinner w. [illegible] etc.

up late Saturday. G. came down
to breakfast ~~Friday~~, May 16 first time
since her accident. Drove
to cottage and got cash
and paid men. Croft-wall
nearly finished. Took men.
Mr Fredrick left early A.M.
I talked to him last night
and found that Mrs C. was not
doing enough to make it
possible to have four more
little children. Packed up matting
and looked at beds in stable.
Took down pictures in big room
in cottage & took them upstairs
to attic. After lunch got
bed at Bucket store. After
Chesty & I assembled bed,
and took them up to big
room, & mattress for
Annie, and started to take
down big bed. Got tired and
then I went on taking bed to
pieces. Tried by Mrs
Miller striking against moving
unit due to come next Friday
H. arrived and came over
to cottage w. G just as I was
finished w. Mrs Miller. G. be-
is striking against moving unit
Cocktails. After dinner listened

to Raymond Gram Swing

up early. Sunday, Warm & clear
lovely day ~~Saturday~~, May 17 Strolling
breakfast and staying warm and
fine with slight cloudiness and
rain at night: Finished moving big
bed fr. C's room in cottage and setting
up 3 single beds. C. having breakfast
down stairs. Long talk Mrs. Tolen before
Mass to her garden Surplus and rather
gay. Took C. C.L. and A. to
Villa's. I drove both ways. Took
her our pictures of Barons Dixon
and portraits. After lunch ~~pay~~ talk
with Scotland. We must get more
children. I should like it. Then
conceived a ~~even~~ [illegible]. Mrs. Scotland to
Mrs. Miller. ~~Talk Mr. Miller~~. Evidently
we want a more competent helper even if
we do not get any more children. Talk
of Cur Peasley in front. To breakfast w. A.
& her drove there Country to save petrol
and I drove back. Champagne party,
C. Cecil's pay. Tea. Talk Mr. Miller
about pictures fr. C's room in attic.
Conference Cheney + Kites: Brought up
kitchen steps fr. cloakroom. Cocktails
and p.m. Mr. Caspari about opening in wall.
After dinner Cecil sick. Read papers. W.a.

A. Off 7 o'c Monday train. Damp gray
~~Sunday~~, May 18
morning. Told [illegible]
where M. S. C. wants opening. Dixie's [illegible]
husband at station so. ~~[5th Sunday after Easter.~~
[illegible] [illegible] but met by [illegible] man coming
after saluting him. W. draft letters
to Mr Overton about forwarding letters
and to Ministry of Works about making [illegible]
after removal to P.G. [illegible]. Called
W.V. & Mrs Fairbairn, Mrs Scott,
Mrs Gibbs all charming and most
helpful. 4 children under 5 can [illegible]
and address, given by mother with
two children of 2 to 6. Office 12 o'c
Miss Staples helping this [illegible],
and will come [illegible] morning.
Letter fr. Oriana noting [illegible] to
stay [illegible] before yesterday.
[illegible] at [illegible]. W. letters to
Mrs Gibbs & to Mr Wellings
for Miss Southworth to copy. Mr
Miss Southworth leaving next week
to go into some [illegible] of war
draftsman ship. Dulcie [illegible]. Slept
in draught in O.T. [illegible]. [illegible]
Cornflower [illegible] to G. Slept in
draught 6.13 but only slight

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, May 19

in evening [illegible] & coat. I told the
Millers [illegible] purpose
of helper, but [illegible]. [illegible] have
lost her good spirits. D. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible]
night. Finished letter to Martyn
in [illegible]. Stopped at [illegible]
and got more [illegible] &
[illegible] [illegible] water. [illegible]
[illegible] etc. Tel. fr. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Com. [illegible] [illegible]
and wants me to finish [illegible]
his copy before. Tel. fr. A.
about Crusader's baby. [illegible]
her letter aloud. Dictated MSS.
[illegible] from American [illegible].
Letters fr. B. J. ST about [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. I passed on [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Asked him to find his
an accounting clerk. He had
been [illegible] S. A. T and finds him
in a very bad state. [illegible]
[illegible] more [illegible] copy [illegible]
[illegible] S. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Dinner [illegible] Dr. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] before [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] + [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday

~~Tuesday~~, May 20

Cont statement morning. C. has good letter from [illegible] Mrs W. [illegible] Tale J[illegible] to pick up manure in road. Mr M. at station says Peter's cows break bridge [illegible] has 5 [illegible]. Finished Hugo's chapters. 38 Bus to office. Tel to Sch. and she answered [illegible] better. Tel ga. Dr. Stopes wants to come to office tomorrow. Dictated [illegible] Southgate. Mrs [illegible] arranged for [illegible] on S.H.T. on Friday. Lunch [illegible] and talked about his book [illegible] pleasant [illegible] dolls head at Mr [illegible]. Bought 100 cigarettes. Cameron [illegible] [illegible] A clock the afternoon. Left his proofs at [illegible] [illegible] talk [illegible]. Talk [illegible] Revised jackets for [illegible] & [illegible]. Home by 5.30 & [illegible] [illegible] Lewis. Left [illegible] Concert programme [illegible]. Was practically complete except copying. Went to meet C. coming back [illegible] [illegible] Sat [illegible] thinking something [illegible] [illegible]. After dinner [illegible] [illegible] music.

ood, still damp [illegible]. Mr
[illegible] his umbrella
in the afternoon
so he went down to the Bureau

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday; May 21

Read letter fr. M. M. written in her
own hand. Francis Howard came
in at Dorking and talked all the
way to V. about C. P. and his brother's
family and about architects.
Says Arabella was his godmother
[illegible] in locked company [illegible]
[illegible] old boy. E. [illegible]
[illegible]. Borrowed £50. for
[illegible]. Driving lesson.
Call fr young man Bruner who
wants to drive car for
me when Bond goes away. He
was in Army a year before the war
was discharged. Lunch [illegible]
Tavern. Call fr. Jackson of
Times about paper. Talk
Mr Frederick who wants to make
that he and Mr Miller have a [illegible]
because never thought of before
galleries. Talk with Meyer about
book prices and war. Finished
[illegible] jacket. Talk [illegible].
[illegible]. 5.30 home. Brought back
[illegible] up. After dinner Mr Chippery

Another cool still misty day
up to London [illegible] C.

Friday
~~Thursday~~, May 22

~~ASCENSION DAY.~~

Read Mrs Stuart's account of
her arrest and experiences in
Italy. C. had a row with man
in train who demanded she [illegible] on
the carriage shut and she pushed
him in the ribs and he tried to
behave himself. Office. Cashed +
signed cheques etc. Sent off Concert
prog. 12.7 train to Watford.
W. Chelsham reading Mrs Stuart's
Experiences in Italy. Park Range
golf course looking lovely. Oaks
wonderful trees. (S.A.T.)
sitting up in bed seems to be in
a bad way. Doctor says three-days
he is too ill to go upstairs to
bath room. Fire, bath excellent.
Had lunch in his room with his
wife. Just caught train at station.
and back to office 4.0 C. Revised
proof of Youth. Clyde [illegible]
[illegible]. very crowded 10.15. Met
Dixon + his father at C's box. and
on [illegible]. finishing. Little [illegible] Paper.
+ [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Sunny morning turning warm.

Saturday,
~~Friday~~, May 23

Up late and breakfast downstairs with E. Down to square to get money for wages including Mrs [illegible] about garden with E. Got pictures from Price Allen and old books there for [illegible] to throw away for [illegible] including [illegible] and [illegible] 7 piece bottles that I cleaned and polished & took back to Mr Allen. Said I would buy his [illegible] & perhaps [illegible] frame. Down to square with E. & met Mr Caspari and talked about concert. After lunch got more books from Price Allen. Got screw eyes for pictures from attic and fixed pictures for hanging. A. came home and I hung the pictures in her room and [illegible] in bath room. Rain so that we could not go out in car. Sat talking and playing with [illegible]. Cocktails before dinner. After dinner slept in chair and listened to ballet music introduced by [illegible].

Sunday, ~~Saturday~~, May 24

Whitsunday

[EMPIRE DAY.

up late. Lovely day with sun and rain, [illegible] clouds after breakfast. About 9.30 with C. I to church, but didn't stay to communion. Filled [illegible] box, got car out but A. drove to Maxses, [illegible] way [illegible] in a simple way. Genl + Lady [illegible]. Dorinda and Fred and a small boy. C. + Lady went round garden with A. who was bored to [illegible]. I went to see apple [illegible]. General Maxse and learned a good deal. Home and changed. It had alternated rain and [illegible] all day. A. wore her new coat + skirt of Jaeger as tweed, probably well worth its good fit. Very becoming and smart. John + [illegible] – I working clothes. Brought up some green branches. Tea – then drove C + H as far as Cross gate on way to Meynells and walked back from Cross [illegible]. C + I walked [illegible] + pulled up over [illegible]. [illegible] before dinner. [illegible] brought [illegible]

Monday ~~Sunday~~, May 25

Bank Holiday ~~[Sunday after Ascension]~~.

up late. B. & I. breakfast together. Violent wind and B. did not go out at all for fear of neuralgia. Took Prue Allen's books to studio and there rubbed up one of leather bound ones with floor polish. Cut weeds in Vicar's strip w: sickle. At lunch B. talked entirely to Nannie and ignored me when I ventured to make a [illegible] remark. Left at once after supper; but returned soon to see Prue Allen. Pasted labels on F. C.'s [illegible] reproductions. Out to Vicar's strip and spent afternoon cutting weeds & [illegible] except [illegible] spot of rain. Left it all neat and finished. Changed into dry clothes and had tea w: B. who was conciliatory. Nap in chair and then B. and I. to [illegible] before dinner. After listened to news and then got good gramophone music [illegible] the [illegible] & the [illegible] again. Got together papers etc. to take to London. Also papers for the Company about contest.
Bed 11.15

S.W. wind but less strong. Spoke
to John about. Speaking
of its [illegible] & pretty [illegible]
Comfort & [illegible] not [illegible]. Then to

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, May 26

[illegible]. Daisy [illegible]

[H.M. QUEEN MARY'S BIRTHDAY.

station spoke to her about. W.V.S.
[illegible] in [illegible] to avoid Tu[illegible]
[illegible], to Angela about her
& drafts letter to Mrs W. & [illegible]
Got [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible]
Called W.V.S. Last do on office
with children on train [illegible]
— they will look out — office
[illegible] [illegible] etc. [illegible]
Tel. Sib much better [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] get [illegible]. Now [illegible]
[illegible] here & going out [illegible]
[illegible]. Read [illegible] [illegible] &
[illegible] [illegible]. Drawing [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]. Home 6.15 [illegible]
[illegible]. Sat out while I walked
home. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for dinner & Woodward
[illegible]. Evening music. Read paper
& letter [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, May 27

Cast open and windy but less
wind 8 p.m. Yesterday [illegible]
3 a.m. in [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
at [illegible]. W. [illegible] to [illegible]
about. Dean [illegible] his [illegible] colour story
P.C. 4 [illegible] suggests Alexander
Adam Asquith for the boy.
Copied letter to Mrs W[illegible] in a[illegible]
Benois' Russian Ballet. Endorsed
cheques, cashed two orders etc.
Dictated Mrs S. She went on Friday
to see about her [illegible]
[illegible] and says she is [illegible]
[illegible] Luncheon at desk [illegible]
[illegible] Dean [illegible] his [illegible]
[illegible]ations. Good but not
light. W. Dean [illegible] suggests
Conversations on Evil Spirit.
Driving lesson in [illegible] by [illegible]
[illegible] but [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] light [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. 6.18
[illegible]. Slept and read paper.
[illegible] at [illegible]. Bought up
[illegible] [illegible] left note for Mrs
[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]. Dinner
7. After dinner [illegible] music.
Read Thais — D. Minor, [illegible]
[illegible] Company. [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]

Wild Wind Thursday, like a tempest
C. up 4 ~~Wednesday~~, May 28 Ran down
with me. W. draft letter
about. [illegible] [illegible] drafts for
railways, to Arthur Stuart, of Ripon
[illegible] [illegible]. W. protests p.c. of
[illegible] to S.A.T. about [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] letter about [illegible]
girl who claims to be related to
Jasper Ridley. C. took me in taxi
to St. James's Street where I got
bottle of whiskey from G.
[illegible] office routine as
usual. Signed yesterday letters
and dictated Miss S. [illegible]
[illegible] Newman [illegible]. Call
of C. [illegible] [illegible]. Talk
[illegible] who does not
think S.A.T. will get well.
Worked on list of new books
till 5 o'c. Read about his
friend of Mr [illegible] the
[illegible] life of William T.
[illegible]. M & C. 6.15. She had
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] A. Elder
[illegible], [illegible] having [illegible], and
[illegible]. Eddie W[illegible] called on

Friday ~~Thursday~~, May 29

Lovely cool morning & grey and sun. F[illegible] [illegible] my depressed. Arms out [illegible] [illegible] influenced by Elsa. Took walk and case stuffing [illegible] filling & [illegible] book drink. Changed ribbons. W. draft letters Mrs Hearne Dr Bradshaw re [illegible]. Read Dean Inge. Left case at Berry's. Office and discussed [illegible] Chippells. Saw Mrs S. letters Kemp. To Savoy. Cottage, dinner out in country beyond Golders Green. Cottage made [illegible] to it, [illegible], window, [illegible]. Bus to Red Lion, Pall Mall [illegible]. Got case Berry's 3 Sherry 1 Rye 1 Irish Whisky. Office 12 D. Elated Mrs S. Raid this week, [illegible] 4.10.0. Cakes & tea. 5.7 home. Slept & [illegible]. Papers say Heydrich may die. Mexico entering war. Took Mrs Cu[illegible] who was putting [illegible] drive on Peppers [illegible]. Carried back bag of bottles unpacked it and put them away. Called [illegible] Fleck Bowen. [illegible]

Cool over and rain. Slept
Saturday,
~~Friday~~, May 30
late. Down to get money
for wages, and sent telegram to
Mrs. Winant. Clifton brought
invitation to C. to a show they
are giving on Tuesday. Paid men and
explained to them plan about finishing
wall at Anchor on end. Hunting
in attic in . Felicia for frames and
paper for her posters. C. caught a
rain [illegible] spring flowers in [illegible]
Nannie at Chalkers to [illegible]. Was [illegible]
to on Sunday, so we had luncheon
alone. Down to see Jack Boswell
about his forestry work.
Spent afternoon in [illegible] moving
[illegible] [illegible]. Came back
for tea very wet and changed
After tea slept in chair and
woke up [illegible] slight sore throat.
Tel. to station about train
for concert. Waited for Alfreda
and she finally came at 7.45
Sherry before dinner. Alfreda
wore lovely blue taffeta. Her
grey silk is thought a great
success. After dinner talk of
Roosevelt: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
A. tried on old dress sent by E. [illegible]

Did not [illegible] went [illegible]

[illegible]

Cool. Sun & shade. Mrs
Mather — Sunday ~~Saturday~~, May, 31 Mrs Tolen
all with throat. Nannie sent for
Dr Keith deacon. [illegible] Trinity Sunday
etc. Wrote check. W.
[illegible] Wrist; W. Mr Macd
of W. [illegible] about programme
Dem. [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] myself & out [illegible]
[illegible] Hunter. Drove back.
[illegible] [illegible] was [illegible] too [illegible]
[illegible] got back Black [illegible].
Made up [illegible] expenses for May
Down to wood and [illegible] off
cow pen — [illegible] a few weeks
[illegible]. Think we have got
them under. Moved old dead
[illegible] bushes to [illegible]
[illegible] to be taken to [illegible]
in field. Moved back [illegible]
[illegible] field to [illegible]. A [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] to Nannie.
[illegible] at ten. [illegible] upstairs but [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible]. Made [illegible]
[illegible] Anthony & Maggie [illegible]

A. off by 8.0'c. train. Lovely cool sunny morning with the

Monday
~~Sunday~~, June 1

little white with May. Changed at P'pool. Tried to read pages. Ma- but eyes not equal to it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. T.la and [illegible] T.L.S. T.&T. & New Statesman Sandwich at [illegible] lettuce & cake. Mr. Ben[illegible] came in to say goodbye and to get his holiday pay. Sidney Thompson [illegible] pulp on hand. [illegible] called and explained about holiday. Mr Frederick called with the [illegible] with which sleep. Doctor [illegible] impetigo. Lunch at desk. Read [illegible] pages. Read letter fr [illegible] Skinner. Drive [illegible] [illegible] in changing [illegible] [illegible] night. Nearly [illegible] train before it started. Read paper. Rain in Canterbury [illegible] there. Lovely cool windless [illegible] evening. Children had play Sam [illegible] T[illegible] to [illegible] & raised 10/- for Red [illegible]. After dinner telephoned to Mr Caspari about concert and did nothing else

[~~Whitsunday~~.

Lovely. Tuesday sunny early
morning. ~~Monday~~, June 2 Slept till
7.10. Changed at [illegible]. W.
draft. letter to Patent Office & ~~BANK HOLIDAY.~~
Dr Venables about patent for concert
and for present copy. Stopped at
[illegible] about bi-focal glasses
Mr Sidney Oat Office. Talk to [illegible]
along. [illegible] ear. Mr Miller
called and left copy to [illegible].
Say building trade is a [illegible]
Tel. for @. Mr Wurzel [illegible]
@ and W. luncheon Tuesday Tel.
[illegible] N. Telephoned [illegible]
[illegible] St. @ [illegible] St. Fraser Supper
at account book. @ at A's [illegible]
Talk Sidney about his patter/.
Went [illegible] copy for
Concert tickets. [illegible]
ters of quality. 1000 [illegible]
[illegible] this time for Easter.
5.30 train home. Slept read
papers. [illegible] Coolidge [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]. Saw
Mr Taber and Mrs Miller [illegible]
[illegible] better. Expects 9,000 [illegible]
attack on [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] of weather. [illegible] radio & [illegible]

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, June 3

Sunny morning. Rather warm walk to station. Changed at Peterborough. Visited at P'boro but decided here. Went on my letter to [illegible] there. Stopped at Meyerowitz in Bond St and arranged to have bifocal lenses changed to pince nez. Attended to post. Final proof of Concert programme — also reprint. Afternoon at desk and read American book on sculpture. Tel. fr. A. Parkes & Marty coming and depending on our car as then into Restricted Area. During [illegible] [illegible] with giving [illegible] always getting into wrong place. Tom. G. 15. Replied to Vale [illegible] at P'boro. Reprint programme giving the Cipher. Rest that day but a little fire pleasant after dinner. Air raid alert in London that night. Cleaned hat and trousers [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] better. Battles in Russia and Libya seem about equally matched. Bed 11.10

Slept well. Met early morning

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday, June 4

[illegible] to hunt [illegible]. Left off cardigan jacket but carried coat. Mr. Melton [illegible] and David [illegible] Gibbons and stayed [illegible] talking to [illegible]. I stayed in bed to avoid talking rest of way. [illegible] Tapman in reply to his letter thanking me for book [illegible] asking [illegible] Continued letter to [illegible] Law. Murray Brewer will come [illegible] to meet [illegible] Wriant. Tel. A. telling her [illegible] Martyn were [illegible] in orders to get in to instruction [illegible]. She says no chance of [illegible] for the [illegible]. Tel to ask Brummy Carter. Spoke to Min. Mead [illegible] [illegible] to take Ma. [illegible] Miller. [illegible] her [illegible]. Pulled out [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Lunch Club. [illegible] Saxton Noble all night after [illegible]. Got black & [illegible] [illegible]. Tel. Brummy Carter can come [illegible] Murphy V. but told him I wanted [illegible] sleep. [illegible] 5.30. Sketched Corporal [illegible]. After dinner [illegible] Mr. [illegible]

Friday
~~Thursday~~, June 5

Woke up early dreaming [illegible] ex-
cessive [illegible] to
Rev. Harry Chapman. Told
Charly to give old coach glass
to [illegible]. 1st day without coat
[illegible] & also promenade
hat [illegible]. Picked up [illegible]
on station road. Changed. [illegible]
[illegible] letter F M. [illegible] & [illegible]
Endorsed and signed cheques.
Drawing [illegible]. Lunch [illegible]
Tavern. Discussed book on [illegible]
by Carl [illegible] for N.Y. w. Mc
Sidney. Worked on list of new
books and books in print. 6.15
train w. Pookie and Marilyn.
Held up at [illegible] Station by
Fog. Telephoned to Chichester
and [illegible] and argued [illegible]
new regulations. Finally allowed
to bring them home at least for
tonight. Telephoned to Wilson
[illegible]. Came back for dinner.
After dinner sat in loggia w.
Beckett & Castle. Took Concert
programme to Cappie. W. [illegible]
[illegible] and addressing envelopes
[illegible] registering. Pookie about

up 6.50 Saturday ~~Friday~~, June 6 Sent Johns down to store for wages money & then paid men. Telephoned to Arundel & made appointment with Superintendent of Police in Pub. Wrote out statement of Beckett's case for entry. Walked to station and 11.20 train for Arundel. Saw Superintendent and convinced him of my view but Pinki then suddenly refused. He was consulting Chief Constable and report ~ Dome on Monday after Pinki hears from anything. Tel. to Clarke fr. Norfolk Hotel. washed about & chop and tea. Home for tea Arundel. worked all afternoon on my concert Poster. Tea in buffet. Marlys & A. (arls came back about 8) Dinner. old fashioneds before dinner. C. showed me her garden. Bed 12.

[illegible]

Not up till 9.30 Washed hair Sunday
breakfast ~~Saturday~~, June 7 in [illegible]
11 o'c. Wound clocks. Talk
Martyn about paper for Stalybridge
"Don" and Mackey letter. He
might speak to Eden. Down to
field and gave some nettles to pigs.
Cool and grey in morning but
turned bright and sunny after-
noon. After lunch to see
Mrs Luckman about Concert
tea and cups. Told her about
wall but she was not very
sympathetic. I said I did not
want to cause her any in-
convenience. Talk with Mrs Mulligan
and daughter in Wales. Worked
on concert posters. A and took Bickells
to station for 4.10 & on to [illegible]
for petrol. I drove back coming
down Bury Hill. Tea and then D.
& A. to Violet's. Chiefly about the
Conference. Worked on poster.
Captions. To [illegible] Felicia [illegible]
posters. Worked on mine. Bed too
late. dinner

Cool and Monday bright. A.Y.
by 7.50 ~~Sunday~~, June 8 train.
Spoke to Humphreys about
freshly well by the [illegible] ~~[Trinity Sunday.~~
David Malone at station.
V. difficult letters to Transport Office about
[illegible] for Concert. Cook – [illegible] and
about. An early week. Chief Engineer.
[illegible] smart attendance. Got [illegible]
[illegible] etc. Got glasses [illegible]
[illegible] table [illegible] further [illegible]
[illegible] Call fr. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] who was
[illegible] publishing. Was at
Simpkins and book shop. [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] at [illegible]
Call fr. Desmond MacCarthy. [illegible]
[illegible] says portrait has been
taken fr. [illegible]. Lunch Desmond
[illegible]. Talked to much.
[illegible] Bros. [illegible] Stores [illegible]
fr. [illegible]. Driving lesson.
Home 6.15. Walked home fr.
Station via Phillips. After
dinner worked on photos [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible] the Letters.

Bed last night 12 & up 6.50
felt rusty. Walk to Station

Monday, June 9

C + Mrs Seacham followed in
taxi. W. draft letters to
London Museum stating Queen Alexandra
"In districts of London" / and to
Buffalo Bengou who wants [illegible]
a book on Patagonia. Tuesday [illegible]
gate on at Duchin having opened
[illegible]. Talked to C. about [illegible]
and [illegible] out a [illegible], but
we didn't want a "talk" at
all. Taxi w C. to Dame St.
Left glasses at Mayoralty for
[illegible] reading them. Office
Dictated Mrs Cook. Mrs S. on
stock sheets. Lunch Selfridge
Mrs Wiant. C., A. Bam Carter
Bruce Lockhart. All very
pleasant. Saw Mrs Einstein Lady
Ravid, Max Muller, Lady Clark and
Brooke. Times Call for Wilder
[illegible] Difficulties Mrs C. Worked
on book list. out & bought cakes
for tea. Met C. & home 6.10. Worked
[illegible] fit on poster after dinner
[illegible] bed after 12.

Cool bright morning. Wi. M.
Wednesday
Mathias ~~Tuesday~~, June 10 to P'boro
where he changed. Sat in front
carriage. W. Stevenson before
[illegible] about his daughter [illegible]
started letter to Tommie Short [illegible] had
[illegible] for [illegible] paper
[illegible] back. Dr. Whitelaw [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] clubs [illegible] as to
[illegible] [illegible] Draft note to
[illegible] control invoiced. @ at-
[illegible] his do. for lunch. Tel.
[illegible] about clerk for [illegible]
[illegible] P.M. call fr. Paul
saying it would be all right. [illegible]
[illegible] Mead who would do with [illegible]
[illegible] cloth that Nevitt [illegible]
[illegible] for the sake of a cheap
clerk. Dictated Miss Cook who
seems pleased to get back on
personal work. She's [illegible]
in her [illegible] and competent
in general work. Lunch at [illegible]
[illegible] Mo. [illegible] Gamie Bush [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] stuff. Signed letter. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
M [illegible] about contest [illegible] Charles

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, June 11

[illegible] Cool bright morning. [illegible] @. in his bath. [illegible] not want big furniture moved this week and [illegible] Roger [illegible] is coming. Changed Piano & [illegible] dining [illegible] [illegible]. W. [illegible] dictating [illegible] Murphy by Cummings [illegible], and [illegible] Watt. Finished letter to [illegible] 1st. Call fr. [illegible] about papers and [illegible] Tree [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible]. Lunch @ Garrick, Met Douglas Leighton in St M Lane. Got Red Ink at Rains, and [illegible] along to [illegible] Straker. Carter Hamer called. Checked plate in Old Stag. 5.4 train home. Slept and read papers. Spoke to Chris Brummel at lunch at Garrick. Putting up desk in Station Room. Talk [illegible] maybe [illegible] at Sherston. He [illegible] is still bad. Worked on [illegible] before and after dinner. Started [illegible] on [illegible]. Bed late.

Rain. Friday Started light

and still ~~Thursday~~, June 12 rain [illegible]

[illegible]. Nervous off with [illegible]

[illegible]. Perhaps something in the air.

Nothing at station, going [illegible].

Chapter 3 Professor 28. 15 started [illegible]

[illegible] Wellesley. Office

[illegible] [illegible] the papers

etc. During lesson in [illegible]

[illegible] quiet some confusion

Battle to take & lunch at H.H.

Henry Fletcher, Edgar Bowker, Carl

Daisy Brainard, Ada Burleson,

[illegible] [illegible] crosses Stickers,

Dictated a bit. Mrs C.

Talk Clifford about American

Sculpture ~~[illegible]~~ work. Miss Southwick

[illegible] wishes to go into some

[illegible], [illegible] draughtsmanship.

5:4 train home. Day cold not

[illegible] broken [illegible]

and said she & Walter did not want

me get in this well at least not

[illegible]. Gave Mrs Hill letter for 1.

Dressed and worked a Concert

program before and after dinner.

[illegible] his arm in bed. Walter well

Saturday
~~Friday~~, June 13

gray chilly morning turning into good day. Up late. Started in sitting room 10:30. Down to office, got mail. Paid [illegible]. Took the Carpet and showed her my posters which surprised and delighted her. Down to Spanish W. C. and got ale at Black Horse. Moved things from two big cabinets. After lunch had them moved to garage by Jack Purcell, Moore, Chudy and Billy. Went on moving contents upstairs. Ripley and Roger [illegible] arrived almost together. Roger in uniform of Able Seaman. He helped move things upstairs and then went to Baltimore. A. I finished moving contents and then worked on posters before and after tea. Walter [illegible] wrote here in London on mission to Spain and Portugal. He called up A. this morning and saw A at Embassy. Worked on posters before & after dinner. At 6:30 A & I [illegible] and pulled up cow parsley & [illegible] Creek tall. Roger says his father [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]. Says Spanish [illegible] Italians in Germany

up late. Breakfast 10.30 w. C
A. & Roger Sunday ~~Saturday,~~ June 14 Wanted clocks
Hunted for American flag. Small
one finally discovered by [illegible]
& hung on porch. F and J.S. [illegible]
British flags which the children
[illegible] & I hung [illegible]
[illegible]. Discovered that
[illegible] cut [illegible]
paper [illegible]
[illegible] Took [illegible]
[illegible] to dry. Work
on [illegible]
all day and got [illegible]
[illegible]. After lunch talked to A.
lying on grass drying her hair about
[illegible] to share a flat in Paris
[illegible] with [illegible] an
English girl at Embassy. Tea
[illegible] and news [illegible]
[illegible] protests. Conference w. [illegible]
& [illegible]. C. A. & Roger [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] w. Carter. [illegible]
[illegible] called with her [illegible]
[illegible] from [illegible]
[illegible] left after dinner. [illegible]
[illegible] A. [illegible] asked [illegible]

Cool lovely Monday bright opening;
Cut-back. ~~Sunday~~, June 15 [illegible]
[illegible] up Concert programme at
stations, but didn't [illegible] have to ~~[1st Sunday after Trinity.]~~
this A.M. Changed P'ano. Read
Times & Tide about [illegible] of
women in this year. Read T.A.S. good
review of Stonewall Jackson [illegible]
Went on [illegible] letter to [illegible]
Wellesley. To Nat Cy Bank Waterloo
place where clerk [illegible] Coleman [illegible]
[illegible] for early young man & not asked
[illegible] for [illegible] or active [illegible]
to Steinway bought piano turned.
Endorsed cheques etc. Lunch
Claridge's with Angela Powell and
A. W. Wilson. I had telephoned
from [illegible] office before reaching
office. Angela evidently salt of
the earth. Arnold & Gladys [illegible]
Robertson at next table. Office
Dictated a lot etc. During afternoon
worked on Oxford items & [illegible]
Chase. 6.15 home. Went on with [illegible]
Set up Concert bills P'ano & [illegible]
recital at P'boro. Finished one more

matter [illegible]

Bright Tuesday. hot morning but
with cool ~~Monday~~, June 16 wind.
Spoke to Mrs Sandlund about cakes
+ [illegible] for concert tea. Tues.
[illegible] that Dr Caspari fix chairs
in barn. Told Newell to cut grass
in Chicken [illegible]. Changed of
[illegible] West in [illegible]. letters
to [illegible] Wellesley. Dictated
in Cabin. Call for [illegible]
of Club for Concert. Lunch at
[illegible]. Call fr. Paul
Luyster. Called Mrs at
[illegible] Farms and declined the
call from Paul J. Luyster.
5-4 trains home. Week [illegible]
station w. Phillips. Stopped
to show Mrs Caspari sketch
& poster to advertise concert on
[illegible]. C. had baby 5
[illegible] + she will likely have
car and as you can get ½ ga
petrol. Found sofa with
[illegible] + brought back lunch.
After dinner [illegible] Mr Caspari
[illegible] and worked on Poster.
Bed late.

Another bright cold A.M.
Wednesday
Probably ~~Tuesda~~y, June 17 will be
cold and grey in London. Col
Newell to [illegible] one more [illegible]
Got up to London. Mr Walter James
met [illegible] me to P.O. [illegible]. Went
on [illegible]. Letter to Gray W.
W. & Co 1 Drury St. Left dress
glasses w Morgan. Paid
£2.2.0 subs [illegible] Anglo American
Society. Dictated Mrs C.
Mr F. at office today. Tel.
Bonnie, [illegible] they despatched
Bloxam Mo. [illegible] Dorchester
& Melton. Saw King Peter of
Jugo Slavia and Princess Alexandra
Back to office but only for two
minutes. [illegible] could
not get any [illegible] changes. [illegible]
Warwick [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Home [illegible] C. 6.15. [illegible]
[illegible]. Met John Bigham [illegible]! [illegible]
Elinor had a way of taking peace to piece
Gave [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dinner.
Mr Casper called. Worked [illegible]
finished [illegible] on [illegible] A.M.

Cool gray Thursday turning fine at
9.15 ~~Wednesday~~, June 18 Put up
posters on door. Stayed in Ashal
train. Dozed to Dorking. Depreci-
ated 'stock'. Read Highway
Code. Office. Call fr. West
who has been dropped from
Air Force because he is over
60. May want to come back
to Potsdams. Call fr Wolfe
Garage about Austin Van,
Talk Thomas who wants to
keep it away from Wolfe people
& let Dager take me around the
Austin. Chance the job. Lunch
Afternoon. Major Burton U.S.A.
introduced the History. Some
talk on hats. Met John
Fitzpatrick on Sts. and Burton
listening in a way to office. We
finally attack w. the map.
Dropped like Maragfield Rd.
7.14 home. Soup and paper. High-
way Code with Mrs. C. Put up
posters, Mrs Sinclair & Ewbank. After dinner
finished 2 more posters. N. wrote more, empty

Up 6.45 Friday Dull cool A.M.
Tried sermon ~~Thursday~~, June 19 at left of
piano & got pay envelope for desk in
garage. After breakfast put up
2 more shelves. Mrs Lueckmann
Crowhurst. 3 left to Epsom. Studied
Mrs. Scarlett's figures for postponing
calling up. Worked on [illegible], 6 to
[illegible] Office. Answered cheques
etc. Borrowed £50. for [illegible]
expenses [illegible]. Wilson cheque
came for 14-in. leg. Drive down
to [illegible] Park [illegible]. Showed
Mr. Warwick's dining room. Looked
at [illegible] [illegible] talking [illegible]
some of the cheques that were [illegible]
& [illegible] in Clement. [illegible]
& found me [illegible] that [illegible] had
allowed [illegible]. Sent Dean [illegible]
No. 7 [illegible] [illegible] all out
the agreement. Warner. [illegible] &
another [illegible] to the Victoria.
3.4 [illegible]. Slept & read paper
Pulled off dress on station road. Met
[illegible] Station about meeting train [illegible]
[illegible]. Tel. Tom Pepper & put up
[illegible] of croft. Talk A. [illegible]
at Cricket match. After dinner [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Saturday [illegible]. Cool

~~Friday~~ June 20

dull morning turning warmer &
finally hot. Sunny [illegible] for the
concert, up early. Got [illegible]
and paid men. Arranged chairs
collapsible [illegible] + collapsible
carpet-seats; also our own
settees [illegible]. Mr Caspari
and Dr Caspari about hospi[illegible]
After lunch, sent Fox, Mr [illegible]
and 2 children to station to
collect many people arriving by
train but they [illegible]
after lunch. Painted the sign
[illegible] arrived and practised
playing charmingly. Neighbours on
foot and people in cars stopped
but by 3 o'c. All 5/- seats
filled, many 3/- but no 1/- or
seats in the [illegible]. Concert [illegible]
a success but I think his playing
was better in his practice. I [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]. I sent
people out in [illegible] to see the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Took [illegible] & her sister. Took
[illegible] [illegible]. 8 + 1 days [illegible] the Caspari
[illegible] Cecile but she was out, [illegible].

TOBRUK FALLEN!

up late. That is two days to Chequers
with C. Sunday ~~Saturday~~, June 21 lovely day
down over grounds. Passed by
Vicar. Old gave seems [illegible]
again in spite of Mr Bevan's threat.
about. Mrs Casparis came over C
A. & I. in lawn with Bill. Think
a good thing to go canvassing. friends
Stephen. Mr C. Joined by C.
10 C. News. Tobruk seems to be
falling. Very bad for Mr Churchill
for he is absent in America with
Mr Roosevelt. After lunch A.
to see Mr Allen about frame
pictures. C. went & A. listening
to Beethoven Sonata in N. Room
Peace conf in press. N. draft
letter to Labour Exchange to try to
keep Mr Scarland. C. & I down
to wood. The Matthias's, John
Lubis, Robert & Pakist left
room. I drove car and van
to Vivian's. Cocktails before dinner
went on with letter about Mrs S.

Monday ~~Sunday~~, June 22

~~2nd Sunday after Trinity~~

Hot morning. A [illegible] to London by 7.56. Cheerly morning with Chaise, spoke to him about list of work. I gave him last night [illegible] conference. Worked on letter to Leather Exchange about Mrs Scarland. [illegible], letter, [illegible]. Heavy mail. Endorsing cheques etc. Corrected list proof. Chairman at desk; also talked papers. Miss C. typed out letter to Leather Exchange. I telephoned two A.M. to Major Britton: can't come to stay but will come in after dinner with his [illegible]. Evening [illegible] [illegible] from 6.18. Ring [illegible] [illegible] who talked all the time. Arrived [illegible] [illegible] progress paper. Mr [illegible] Cecily [illegible] [illegible] brought me home in car. [illegible] Caddy. Asked me to take [illegible] to [illegible] room [illegible]. After dinner read paper and walked [illegible]; lovely evening, the landscape

Tuesday
~~Monday~~, June 23

Another ~~fast~~ morning. Charley sweeping. Chimney. Only five ducks left on station [illegible] Changed [illegible] [illegible]. Read weekly papers. Started letter to Martyn Skinner. Bought cakes for tea and cigarettes + [illegible] [illegible]. Spent most of day straightening out News and opera proofs. Talk to Somerset about [illegible] profit and making [illegible]. Talk Clifford about S.P.? when he went to see yesterday. Up and in garden. Treatment has reduced dropsy so that he is thin. This is the treatment that Brown condemns [illegible] Art. Saw Edgar Bonham-Carter. Received short article on political economics from John MacNeill. Also about book against Italian Fascism from [illegible] Hamilton. N. A. [illegible] 5.4. Slept and read papers. Pulled off ducks on station [illegible]. Very hot. Wandered out and Nannie brought in dinner calling C. "Mummy" [illegible] each night on table. After dinner [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] to come and

Entered Dean Inge's [illegible]

N. Wind but sun. Got up to London [illegible] together Mr Tomlinson in carriage.

Wednesday

~~Tuesday~~, June 24

QUARTER DAY. FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

[illegible] letter to [illegible] [illegible] took me to Dover St on No 25 bus. Endorsed cheques, signed letters, deposit etc. Lunch Claridges with A. Meyers. Paid 4. 8. 0 ~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ Back to office. Signed letters. To driving lesson. Drove Marble Arch, to Oxford Circus. To St Mathias's early [illegible] party [illegible] attended [illegible] blonde old woman. When Q. came out time to come up so I drove with her to [illegible] for 6.15. S left in train. Back [illegible] [illegible] Mr Mallin[illegible] [illegible] Churchill changed not be Minister of Defence – like everyone else. Talk to Ayton who is [illegible] and car. Mr St [illegible] work on [illegible] [illegible] & F. Miller [illegible]. Meet of [illegible] [illegible] back. After dinner [illegible] [illegible]. Q still in her car [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Read papers. [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, June 25

Cool sunny early A.M. Humphrey done [illegible] [illegible] camps. Spoke to Charles about moving chick house & giving eggs settles. Changed at P.O. Went in w. letter to Martyn To R.A.C. about car. Mr Hudson recommends 1 Austin, 2 Ford 3 Hillman. Will look out for one & office letter before 12. Mr Jackson phone about papers & Miss Mead — I worked on list. Lunch [illegible] Tavern. Worked on list. Call fr. Theodore Schuller who [illegible] quite [illegible]. 5.4 home walked home w. Phillips, says my E [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which was not main thing. Evening to [illegible] [illegible] letters. Got down to Ford and looked at trees to be cut down. After dinner w. cheques & read papers. Gisela brought in a insect but she is rather with her present. Parliament seems to be settling down to [illegible] of [illegible] and country is indignant but helpless.

[illegible]

Friday
~~Thursday~~, June 26

Misty early morning; turning bright and hot.
Spoke to Charley about his garden take or leaks as far as possible.
Told Newell to make cuttings green heaps & put behind Craft house.
Told Humphry to make [illegible] [illegible] and Jalm to move Betty's sitting chairs back to summer house by pond. Changed at P'boro.
Finished letter to Marilyn S. Got out 2 Italian stamps for Charley envelope and scraps. Affie signed & [illegible] clippings and dictated a few letters. Got a car for her to collect later. Took suit to Barker at [illegible] to be put on [illegible] [illegible]. Stopped on way back in Park Road to look in antique shop window and ask as to shirt repairs.
Lunch Harmer Hubbard [illegible].
Got potato spray from the Castle.
Call for Norman Field who wants job for 2 weeks. Will ask Somerset if he can use him.
Call for Mrs Stewart [illegible]. [illegible] to her old father [illegible] [illegible] back on her settlement in Paris. Call to

Another bright warm day

Saturday

~~Friday~~, June 27

up late. Down to square and got money with W. Bucknam and talking about [illegible] crops and [illegible]. Paid him and talked to Charley who was spraying potatoes with my [illegible] from Carter. Talk [illegible] about pig gate. Down to square again W. C. got [illegible] for Black Horses and on to [illegible] where we found no flowers but a [illegible] [illegible]. Stayed after lunch. Ma brought the [illegible] back to N. [illegible] Mrs S. and I went down to chicken run and settled on improvements. She has taken charge of chickens. To [illegible] she was going [illegible] her brother at [illegible]. Talk Mr [illegible] about [illegible] cabinet in [illegible] before [illegible] is put back. Willy [illegible] [illegible] Charlie. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Cool summery day, up late
Sunday
~~Saturday~~, June 28
read Observer, papers, told of
Churchill's return and great
reception and dwindling
Parliament's attack on Adminis-
tration. I think loss of Tobruk
and [illegible] Rommel's present
efforts. Started to read Karen
Blixen's stories. Very good of
course but seem to lack wit &
romance of 7 Gothic Tales.
After lunch, rested in bed
and then had conference
at 4 at V.C. w. Hallie & Chr
on Shed. Chris respectful
but contented with Office
at being called from office
rest. Tea and then [illegible]
night car out of garage but
it cracked & stuck in door
H & C. to Rolo's—tried Blue
cocktails before dinner. After
dinner C. showed us first slot
[illegible] in Cafe in 11 [illegible] —1 [illegible]
[illegible]

Bright Monday ~~Sunday~~, June 29 cool morning [illegible] but [illegible] or cats.
A. back to Sunday 7 o'c. Met
Ave coming back from [illegible]
Changed P'boro. W. [illegible]
TO Carter - get more spraying powder
for potatoes but they had to borrow
Mr Frederick at [illegible] taken
stock taking astonishing [illegible]
J. his probably own [illegible]. [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Coast at W. [illegible] Griffiths. Studied
Blizen situation and w. M. ?
information about the [illegible]
about [illegible]. [illegible]. Call [illegible] Birdsall
to Carter [illegible] but got [illegible]
quickly. Very fine [illegible]. [illegible]
a sign of public agitation.
Palestine [illegible] Egypt [illegible]
disorder. And government
seem only concerned to explain
away abuses. Lunch at desk.
Description [illegible] book for list
Started [illegible]. 5.4 [illegible]. [illegible]
desk work + [illegible] letters. 2 little
girls coming [illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible]

Q up 5 Tuesday London [illegible]

[illegible] 3 ~~Monday~~, June 30 [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] station & my [illegible]

[illegible] not seen [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible] nonplussed about ball [illegible]

Cabinet. G. & I framed [illegible]

[illegible] Tunis [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible] extra expenses. Q at [illegible] &

[illegible] for [illegible] of [illegible]

Mr Somerset does not want [illegible]

[illegible] St. Field, long talk to him about

[illegible] and [illegible]. Dictated. Mrs [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] and met A. [illegible]

[illegible]. Q. had already [illegible]

[illegible] Offices, [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] Pittsburgh, [illegible]

T. Q. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] P.M. office closed for [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]. To [illegible] & back by

[illegible]. Q & [illegible] [illegible] cottage

[illegible] Q. Victoria & home by 6. [illegible]

[illegible] Lady Doris Blackwood. V. & P'[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] bringing her [illegible] back

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] sick on the [illegible]

[illegible]. Calumet back in hall [illegible]

ball but restored after [illegible]

[illegible] on [illegible]. Read

[illegible] [illegible], days & [illegible]

Wednesday, ~~Tuesday,~~ July 1

up 7 o'cl. & breakfast 8.30
Seems to [illegible] take me
longer & longer to dress etc, bath
exercises etc. Gave [illegible]
[illegible] up to London via the [illegible]
as far as East Croydon [illegible]
all [illegible] bore, but read [illegible]
and wrote [illegible] stuff to M. M.
Spoke to Violet [illegible] at
Victoria. Day Eliz. at [illegible]
To R.A.C. [illegible] licence [illegible]
have been returned yesterday.
Posted it at W.C. District P.O.
Worked on Newman Open Night.
Corrected proofs of White [illegible].
[illegible] at desk. [illegible]
[illegible]. Talked little M.,
Dennis. Tel. [illegible] W. [illegible]
Worked on [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible]. 5.30 train home. Read
paper. Attack on government
this week and [illegible] on foreign [illegible]
government defence. [illegible]
[illegible] in today's debate.
[illegible] up [illegible] on station road
about dinner did I was accounts

Cool [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, July 2

C. [illegible] [illegible] morning. Talk
about [illegible] among [illegible] + [illegible]
[illegible] for. Lunch [illegible] J. B[illegible]
has been [illegible] down [illegible] [illegible].
Finished June [illegible] accounts of
[illegible]. Read [illegible] story. To
Justin's in Oxford St. but no one
there who could help about [illegible]
[illegible] my [illegible] went on to D's [illegible]
office. Talk Jackson & Miss Mead &
[illegible] [illegible] decided to [illegible] [illegible]
to Sea. Call fr. Thomas. Kept
[illegible] [illegible] all day about [illegible]
& [illegible] missing [illegible]. Tel. fr Mrs Clark
Fabian Society about [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] is crazy about it.
Talk Sam [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
up and [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible]. To
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] for
Mrs Warwick. [illegible] once & [illegible]
exp. To [illegible] & [illegible] Exchange
[illegible] Miss Smith's department. [illegible]
7.30 [illegible] & went [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] in Pet [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Not [illegible] [illegible]. Violet &
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]

Cool grey [illegible], [illegible] heat.
Friday, ~~Thursday~~, July 3
Hi: [illegible] to [illegible],
and [illegible] we sat in different seats and I read [illegible] story. Office signed and endorsed cheques. During [illegible] and made a drawing of [illegible] [illegible]. Very depressed. Nearly had accident. [illegible] [illegible]? Got double pointed tacks. [illegible] [illegible] there but did not speak to [illegible], who was reading as he evidently likes to do. Waltham cannot mend my watch - main spring broke last night. Perhaps Saunders will do it. Talked with Anderson about his overtime on coat for next winter. Talk with [illegible] [illegible] about estimates. S[illegible] talked to S.H.T. on telephone and admits I am right about [illegible]. T.L.A. [illegible] party at [illegible]. 5.30 train home. Came upon an old carriage gated in for nothing [illegible] [illegible] opp. [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] up [illegible] [illegible] over my feet [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]. [illegible] on [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. After dinner got [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

up 7.30 Dressed for Embassy
Party. Saturday, ~~Friday~~, July 4 Down to Embassy
Stores before breakfast to get
wraps money but delayed Independance Day
because they had to send out for
change. C & I breakfast. Made
up my [illegible]. Walk to
Station and up to London to
10.20 train. Slept in train. Tel.
Alfredo to [illegible] his Alec & [illegible]
down on C's [illegible]
day. Cast of Tungsten. Tel. barber
hair-cut. Lunch Carrick. Came
and no think ambush, just
meeting german tanks with [illegible]
range [illegible] requires delicate
[illegible] use of smoke etc.
etc. likes to go [illegible] & he does
so. To Hyde Park gardens. Looked
at vegetable [illegible]. Then
grass Kerr etc. Talk young care-
taker man at No 20. To 27 [illegible]
[illegible] & talked Mr Miller [illegible]
[illegible] & we went to Embassy Party. [illegible]
queues but when we got in quite [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] in garden. C. [illegible]
[illegible], young [illegible] to Embassy. [illegible]

up 9 o'c. dull warm day but
Chat [illegible] Sunday, ~~Saturday~~, July 5 up 9. o'c

C. had told me of arrival of little Margiotta girls mostly through Nanny. I had to hear Nanny's agreeing with C.'s every expression. When C. went down, I slammed door between rooms. C. opened my door and said angrily "Not very nice" and she greeted me resentfully when I went down. Wound clocks. Red clock stopped. Out to Park + got [illegible] for little girls. C. [illegible] to see Miller about holiday and was greeted by such ultimatum fr. Mr Miller that work was too much for Mrs. Miller and they were leaving 1. She blazed at him. I went over and blazed too. Why had they not told us that work with three more children would be too much. Margiotta parents came down + Mr M. cut his children's hair in our shed. After [illegible] talk Mrs Miller. They will stay till we get someone else, up to Aug. 1. Pastor. Conference [illegible] Clint. [illegible] [illegible] questions [illegible] for [illegible]. I dining [illegible].

children on a [illegible] Sunday [illegible] after

[illegible]

A. Back to London 7.56. Suggested to C.
that we go Monday away for our

~~Sunday~~, July 6

holiday together to some little hotel
[illegible] [illegible] to please her

~~4th Sunday after Trinity~~.

say early in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
No sign of rain. Changed O. [illegible]
[illegible] weekend. New Statesman [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible]
maintenance claims London to
[illegible]. Changed "Macassar Oil" [illegible]
appears. Dakers' friend sent a
[illegible] good orders fr. S. [illegible]
Call fr. Buck, Swedish publis-
[illegible] [illegible] at [illegible]
Dictated [illegible] [illegible] a lot of
letters. Lunch at desk & read
American novel. Tel. fr. Wolf Gang
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Tel. fr.
Alfreda who wants carpets for
her flat. W. M. [illegible] [illegible].
Chq. [illegible] for £1000. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] accounts. Home 6.30.
Our armies in Libya said to be
holding. Russians said to be slow-
ing. Walk back Mr & Mrs Phillips
[illegible]. C. [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible]
[illegible] all [illegible] [illegible] for good.
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

~~Monday~~ Tuesday, July 7

A very little rain in night. Atmosphere [illegible] finishing copy of garden wall. Changed [illegible] to Abbey. Went in with letter to Marilyn S. Endorsed cheque etc. Long call from A. W. Dodd 39 years ago P. O. clerk. Friend of P. Taylor here in B'ham. Had correspondence with Jasper Ridley about his writing dreams of getting in Random House. Called [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] copy, for friend of E. M. Forster wrote to Mrs. V. [illegible] et al. but got [illegible] by an [illegible] [illegible] arrest. Very odd, [illegible] [illegible]. Took copy of "Stonewall" to Jeff Spire. Spoke to Arthur Belcher [illegible], he is taking injections to get well. During lunch, [illegible] about Dropped on [illegible] at the post, tel. to Victoria, [illegible] [illegible] to give C. M. I. [illegible] said fallen. Home 6.18. After dinner talk about [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]

Got up Wednesday to London

~~Tuesday~~, July 8

Cool bright day. Asked
Chas. to sweep drawing room
chimney. Went to his [illegible]
& Martyn Skinner's office
and dictated to Miss H. C.
all morning. Address of
another matter & Chris from
W. V. S. Out to Sunis Cottage.
Got my season ticket that
I dropped at C. M. I. Lunch at
snack bar. Saw adv. in window
of motor shop of an Austin 10 for
£295. Back to office. W. until
W. V. S. woman at 1. Picked up
[illegible] at Swanford Stores and to
[illegible] Ridley's Christening in St.
[illegible] Chapel, Westminster Abbey.
[illegible] [illegible] Sir [illegible]
Elizabeth, Cyril Asquith, Ridley
[illegible] Charteris. Tea in Chaff[illegible]
[illegible] in North Street. Got
[illegible] Frascati Restaurant. Got
home by 6.15. Had luncheon
[illegible] Clafin's, Wyndham, [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Mrs Seaford talked
[illegible] chicken after dinner

Cool + gray Thursday, looking like rain. ~~Wednesday~~, July 9 [illegible] featuring capture of [illegible] by [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] craft wall for [illegible] beach head. Rain off. Americans [illegible] [illegible] Jap. battleship Toso. Chang J'boro. Finished letter to Marlys Stevens. Spent evening doubtfully with a talk w/. Schwartz who says his will have one figured out in a few days, then I can consider going there. Dinner [illegible] [illegible] and back in an hour. Signed letter and went very [illegible] to try to get them perfect. Met Frieda [illegible] in Queens [illegible] Theatre [illegible] a wonderful black [illegible] on the [illegible]. 5.4 train home. G. + I down to pond and played [illegible] to be sent down. [illegible] and [illegible] splitting up [illegible] [illegible] by the terrace! After dinner read papers and [illegible] for [illegible] and talked about Miller

[illegible]
Blots 5 Friday, our old iron
~~Thursday~~, July 10
carriage and [illegible] Tuesday
[illegible] W. Little & M-in-law
Met Frank Graham V. G. at Mr
Fox; to my office. Signed
endorsed Jeffrey etc. The
Miss Mead & [illegible] Mr Frederick
1. per week Ashland @ 18/-
off for my driving license;
Saw Austin [illegible] Chas at Station
23000 miles
[illegible] Garrick. To Quiet Corner
about Chickens [illegible]
enough; Got sponge [illegible]
Tonks's. Got glycerine for W
and. To [illegible] of the [illegible] black
cherries in a fortnight. Back
to office; W.T.L.S. at. [illegible]
Mtg against Rev. I. Foote-Leigh
Stonewall Jackson. Mrs Chas.
say. Mr Clive came with her late
lady and @ seemed to like her
but [illegible] asked for tea. T.A.
R.A.C. [illegible] say I 23000 miles
[illegible] that Austin Co.
Home 6.18 but [illegible] new type. No
met her at P. [illegible]. [illegible]
more [illegible] in front after I got in.

up late. Saturday. Cold morning
& sunny [illegible] warmer.

~~Friday~~, July 11

Down to store to get maps.
mail and paid men. Down
to square again w. C. to get
her money at P.O. I got
soda water at Birch House.
Picked up apples in the [illegible]. Mag
do for pigs but too small.
fed chickens & cat. After
dinner drove D. in Bonnie
& M. was at work. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] him and smelled of
[illegible]. A. had arrived when
I got back. Told her about
Christening of Bubbles' baby.
Then went up to bed but
couldn't sleep especially w.
A. talking to C. next door.
Down to tea. Dug up [illegible]
and dandelions in lawn.
Got out music and finished a few
[illegible]. Both ex. [illegible] &
go to Mrs Scarland's [illegible]
After dinner read papers & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]

Sunday,
~~Saturday,~~ July 12

[illegible] eat, no bath, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]. To Church
[illegible] Mr
[illegible]
[illegible]. Pat [illegible]
out in sun [illegible]
A. to lunch with Asquiths.
Mrs Milligan came to see C. [illegible]
[illegible] State [illegible] want
to take children away.
Mr & Mrs [illegible] here [illegible]
Mr [illegible] does not want
to take [illegible] away either
[illegible] in the chair [illegible]
C. [illegible]
speeches. I spoke with [illegible]
support, as I spoke [illegible]
little [illegible] C. [illegible]
arranged [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] N. [illegible]
[illegible]. Tea. [illegible]
[illegible] apples and
[illegible] drank [illegible]. Tom
[illegible] C. [illegible]

A. back to [illegible] early. [illegible]
[illegible] Monday, up at 6.55

~~Sunday~~, July 13

first time for months. Had
a dream with [illegible] for the first
time in my life complete pene-

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tration all absolutely clearly in
my head, and in marked colouration
Spoke to father at breakfast
about [illegible], and later Church
gift. Smith's for N[illegible] write
[illegible]. Changed at [illegible]
w. Chris [illegible] talk about [illegible]
n. S: A. [illegible]. W. [illegible]
getting 21 of G.O.C. Talk [illegible] and
about way of treaty advance etc.
Call from Dr [illegible] re copy of
seven more chapters. D. [illegible]
lunch. Carrick Chris [illegible] well.
Out-grew Carter enamel [illegible]
took it to Mr [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] by St. [illegible] and
Madam [illegible] no particular value.
Talk Somerset pig & accounts
Correcting proofs [illegible] [illegible]
7.30 home. Slept & read paper.
Anderson says no restricted area [illegible]
[illegible]. Lady Maxse at [illegible]

Bky & Mrs (Princess Fran[illegible]) Office. [illegible] & out setting
to diary [illegible] cleaning

Tuesday

~~Monday~~, July 14

from My point garden wall.
Finish picking up apples. Evelyn
at station. Made out major [illegible]
nitrous application. Secretary
Clu. [illegible] O.C. for pig form
read letter to [illegible] Bus
Edith [illegible] lent Shop. Cleaned
office. Talk Mr Mildie.
Tel. A., Tel. Catherine Sinclair
who suggested mirror table
or chairs for Elizabeth.
Dinner, Martha Stainer Fraser.
We liked Daffy Cooper [illegible] altogether
& didn't like me [illegible]
office signing letters. M. [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible]
to Edith [illegible] and gave [illegible]
[illegible] table for 10.10. E
to dining [illegible] still [illegible]
[illegible] to put [illegible]
[illegible] glass. Got cherries. 6.15
[illegible] & J. Sept. read paper.
[illegible] boro [illegible] flowers.
Talk Mrs. Sinclair [illegible]
[illegible] After dinner Mr. I.S.S.
[illegible] said goodbye. Bed time

St Swithin's Day. I [illegible]
and warm. Suggested
Derbyshire Peak [illegible]

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, July 15

[illegible]. Father [illegible]
[illegible] at station. [illegible]
at [illegible]. W. [illegible] 8
years [illegible]
[illegible] A. G.; W. D. [illegible]
[illegible] hotel for [illegible]
Rec'd [illegible] on [illegible]
to [illegible] day later. I had [illegible]
[illegible] this and [illegible]
[illegible] disappointing I
got [illegible]. Very grateful. To Miss
Edith [illegible] - got [illegible].
[illegible] & carried it round [illegible]
Spent most of day [illegible]
[illegible] stories [illegible]
right; [illegible] Robin [illegible]
[illegible] C. [illegible]. T. H. A. [illegible]
[illegible] 5 [illegible]
[illegible]. Arranged for my [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]. She is going
[illegible] Elizabeth is [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible] 5.30
Talked after dinner about [illegible]
& [illegible] change. [illegible]

Dull cool Thursday morning. Spoke
to Watts ~~Wednesday~~, July 16 about
works, and Charles about feeding
apples to pigs. Cleaning pig styes.
Finished [illegible] Baron [illegible]
[illegible] to R.A.C. who say
no accommodation anywhere
in the country. Telephoned
Sandringham Hotel — full up [illegible]
[illegible]. Telegraphed Imperial [illegible]
[illegible] & Dulwich [illegible] Previously
[illegible] Saturday [illegible] in this
[illegible] flat in Air Ministry. [illegible]
[illegible] & then telegraph [illegible]
[illegible]. Lunch. Wrote. Walk
[illegible] D [illegible]
[illegible] given [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]
[illegible] other before [illegible]
[illegible] A.M. 8.30 C. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]. Said no [illegible]
[illegible] quite well! — [illegible]
[illegible]. 6.15 home [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Cool & Friday, grey. Miss
[illegible] ~~Thursday~~, July 17 is a [illegible]
over letting requirements to the
plumbing while we are away.
C. has cold &. [illegible] can
take us in. Thought it over
and telephoned for [illegible] to
accept. Compared car [illegible]
cheques with accounts. Letter
fr. John [illegible] [illegible] in touch
for Cairo in America till
Ambulance. Finished descriptive
Blixen stories. Dealt w. cheques
& orders. Driving lesson. [illegible]
on [illegible] went down from on the
Jack Spain. Initialled cheque
book / [illegible] [illegible] yesterday.
Cold and rain. Unfortunate in
American list. Tel. A. [illegible]
likes my talk with. She came
when she went to [illegible] last
night. She went out with
Elizabeth & Vivienne. [illegible] said
working as I want to stay in.
[illegible] 5-8.30 Sept. [illegible] [illegible]
for dinner read paper. C. read
aloud from her mother's letter about

Cold Saturday damp air. -
Breakfast ~~Friday,~~ July 18 9.0 c.
Got advance & paid men. Tel.
Isaacs & Lockerbie about plumbing
in my absence. Got 1 to London
10.20 ar. Cecily Mathias who was
taking Victoria up to London to see
her grandmother in a nursing home.
[illegible] draft letter to [illegible]
about papers for Jim. Victoria
looks like a [illegible] portrait. [illegible]
to office met by Mrs Davies &
Hilary. Mrs Davies will come to
look after children on Aug 7th
[illegible] lunch Frascati & drove
to A's flat in Vandon Court. Lunch
[illegible] and to E. Sinclair wedding
[illegible] Scottish Service.
[illegible] flowers
[illegible] Michael [illegible] in black velvet
& white [illegible]. Vivienne Morley
sat with us. We all went together to
Dorchester. A. wore her grey [illegible]
[illegible]. Gold belt and [illegible]
hat. Catherine Sinclair only bridesmaid
[illegible]. Elsie [illegible]
[illegible], Binham Carters
[illegible] Raymond [illegible]
[illegible] Lady Angela [illegible] May [illegible]
[illegible]. Pictures taken [illegible]. Mr Win[illegible]
To A's flat for tea. Home [illegible]. Brian [illegible]

Up late. Sunday, Sun and cold
N. Wind. ~~Saturday~~, July 19 Wound
clocks. Brian & A. sat in
sun by camp. C. to church,
I got out Didi's and then
put away my fur coat in
newspapers. A. & B. to meet
Didi & Annabelle [illegible] walking in
[illegible] from Sallie [illegible]. Didi
had a school for little children
but had to close it because of
rabies. After lunch young
people spent afternoon in [illegible] by
my [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and Davids. Capid [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] control. Rested in bed.
Conference w. Charlie [illegible], [illegible]
birthday. [illegible] [illegible] gone [illegible]
of [illegible] (Ruth) to sell. C. put [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] in [illegible]. Tea &
Didi & Annabel down in taxi, take
Katie Ruth & David. Sorted &
Counted my wine in chest. C.
seems to be [illegible] more and [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] - probably because she
does so little physically. A. B. to
[illegible] in river [illegible] [illegible]. Bath &
cocktails. After dinner got [illegible]

~~Sunday~~, July 20

~~[6th Sunday after Trinity.~~

Gave order Monday, cards re
dates of the holidays
A.R.S. to Kinder 7 o'clock
Coal dust away in
fuel Controller Jan. 10, reply to
Littlehampton Council about pig
food. Finished description of
Ninon and Opera Nights.
Office. Miss Smith's further extension
refused, may be called up at
any time. Worked on list.
Kinder A.A. and he paid own
fare 3-7. Miss C. tel Ellie, on
train to Windermere 2.40-10.
Dictated, Mr Franklin took quite
some notes for Mrs Miller. During
lesson conscious lapses
something like unconscious [illegible]
6.15 train home, supper & Patrick
and felt a bit refreshed. Read
Murphy's Commercial Banking
on the war. On p. C. [illegible]
[illegible] Kinney rules [illegible]
speck in his ear. [illegible]
Pennell had been to see C.
says we can have Geology [illegible]
[illegible] wants us to get up
Committee meeting. After dinner dictated

Gave Letter Tuesday, Petrol Coupon

~~Monday~~, July 21

for Lamers [illegible]
D.- yes at end of [illegible] [illegible]
till she is [illegible]. Murphy's [illegible]
[illegible] day so! I had [illegible]
work on [illegible] up to [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible]-drinking [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] office [illegible] Miss [illegible]
Miss Smith leaving. She doesn't
think Miss T. [illegible] [illegible] people
[illegible] for [illegible] to [illegible].
Miss K. made appointment [illegible]
C.'s [illegible] [illegible]. T.Y. A. [illegible]
[illegible]. Wonder if [illegible] and
that not so good. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] K. [illegible] [illegible]
keep [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] O'Donnell [illegible]
and 2 chickens have to be
[illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible]
Cream + Chicken [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. M. Miller [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] accounts gave him £1.1.0
out 15 little [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] + [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] Mass 6.30 [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]

up 5 Wednesday [illegible] nr. E.
taking up ~~Tuesday~~, July 22 bag for
the W— down here. Finished
list and sent it back, pi-
cture to Pears. Dictated lot
of letters. T.U.'s M.G.L. about
Felix in Mo. Out and left
coat at Anderson's, lunch
Holborn. Got money at
Westminster Bank and took
my time [illegible] because the [illegible]
[illegible] difficult. [illegible] of lunch
[illegible] Saunders. T.U.A. [illegible]
[illegible] because she has [illegible]
[illegible] up Dunham for [illegible]
[illegible] Am. White Wls. She [illegible]
[illegible] spoiled. Hope she will
improve [illegible] [illegible] E. New
3. [illegible] letters. [illegible]
lesson [illegible] [illegible] E [illegible]
[illegible] Oxford Circus.
Met E. on 6.15 [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] but she
loses it. She had tea [illegible]
[illegible]. Read papers. Might
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] after dinner

Gave over Thursday this new [illegible]

& asked ~~Wednesday~~, July 23 Chapley

to see Jack Arthur about [illegible]

[illegible]. They came into dining

room. Got conversation [illegible]

for Cissell and by Betty

half. Fast went to [illegible] Ely &

& got 1st class ticket to

Windermere. No one recognised

me and cashier said my old

£3. account must have been

exhausted by Bank charges.

[illegible] Mrs C. to Euston

and found our train made up

at 1.10. Read M. & N. 7. and

[illegible] life lives of Victoria. Wait

[illegible] for [illegible] last [illegible]

for Mrs Goldsmith to Clara's

[illegible] Museum, Tower. W.

Dick. Ask about further

appointment for Mr. Smith.

W. Miller let off. 5.30

home. Letters [illegible] [illegible].

Got out basket and my luggage

[illegible] 5 [illegible]. Mrs S. [illegible] 8

[illegible] to Mr Michael Ruff.

After dinner packed etc.

To bed 12.30

up 6.45 Friday Fixed up [illegible]

~~Thursday~~, July 24

basket [illegible] with his blanket
got old [illegible] in [illegible] in boat
shed. [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] - [illegible]
[illegible] - Q. Humphy talked work
[illegible] not these quay. Children
had walked to station. Fox took
G & me, Mrs Miller, Mrs Sealand
Miss Tether in Evelyn's Ford van.
Read paper. Going up to London o
[illegible] draft letter to author of
[illegible] [illegible] of Victory. W. [illegible] O
[illegible] I will not [illegible] in [illegible]
W. [illegible] [illegible] Lacey & Frank [illegible]
at Victoria. I'm pleased be going -
[illegible] [illegible] of our [illegible]
in Tickets collectors [illegible]. [illegible]
at Victoria. Lunch room at [illegible]
[illegible] Hotel for Aug. 3 & 4 (we are
going to Cumberland for 5 & 6) To
[illegible] & left the [illegible] of [illegible].
Saw his [illegible]. On to [illegible]. S
talk [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] Edkins,
Wyman's. Cliff tells Camden
[illegible] me about [illegible]
[illegible] 1941 about £1.50.
to. [illegible] Gibbs, W.V.S. letter for [illegible]
[illegible] has got better [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] St. G. & Ida B. C. & [illegible]
for W[illegible]. [illegible] going [illegible]

Our room with turret chamber facing West over lake: with distant misty mountains

Saturday, ~~Friday~~, July 25

Breakfast at 9.30. Sat in writing room [illegible] looking at pictures & I [illegible] & I wrote to Alfreda. G. & I went & walked in hotel grounds and along [illegible] road to [illegible] [illegible] hotel. Lunch. 1 o'c. Finished & posted letter to A. Then rested in bed. Up for tea at 4.30. Then G. & I walked along road to south. Looked at beautiful changing lights on lake and sat on [illegible]. Back to hotel and I had bath with [illegible] and dressed for dinner. After quite a dull meal in [illegible]. Only one other man dressed — a Commander in Naval dress. Sat in drawing room and finished my drink of whisky that I brought & woke up to our turret chamber & wrote diary. W. draft of reply to Dean [illegible] about my letter re a conversation on the [illegible] Communion Service. Started to go to bed before [illegible]. G. [illegible] us

Slept Sunday, last night
[illegible] miserably as
G. [illegible] ~~Saturday~~, July 26 because
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] so [illegible]
[illegible]. Breakfast 9.30
up to our turret & [illegible]
letter to Dean [illegible] at
this week. G. & I [illegible] in
rain. Took refuge in
[illegible] Catholic [illegible]
Hotel, Sun out. Back to
our hotel & ginger ale in
lounge. Lunch. Read through
[illegible] of Magazine
Revolution by [illegible] Thomas.
Rested in bed and down
for tea at 4.15. Then G.
& I out for walk up hill
She leaned on me arm
and did not use the stick
Talked frankly of her
ailments [illegible]
Sat in hotel grounds and
talked about [illegible].
Left G. on bench by lake
and had bath & [illegible]. Dinner
and looked at old magazine
Then up to our turret.

Slept well Monday, two in a bed.
Dull early ~~Sunday~~, July 27 morning
with [illegible] later [illegible].
dull again; after lovely pink
sunset fair night. Breakfast
9.30 with a 2/- Spider. Sat
about and looked at [illegible]
[illegible] Marlow Show [illegible]
W. [illegible] cycling [illegible]. Started
B.C. [illegible] then [illegible]
C. & I walked [illegible] bird; she
leaned on my arm but didn't
use sticks; really [illegible] for the
first time; [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] boat and boating [illegible]
[illegible] back [illegible].
Watched [illegible] an old
[illegible] and
[illegible] with [illegible] each
[illegible] flowers. [illegible]
[illegible] W. back.
After tea [illegible] up [illegible]
[illegible] W.P.C. to S.A.T. [illegible] till
4. Tea & pictures [illegible] down stairs
Then [illegible]. Started
V. Woolf's Voyage out. Walk alone
on [illegible] S [illegible]. [illegible] & dinner.
Walk with C. in grounds. Read V. O.

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C. slept [illegible] Tuesday, badly. Down to
breakfast ~~Monday~~, July 28 late. Again
wrote to [illegible]. Looked at [illegible]
art pictures [illegible]. Punch. [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]. C. off at
and walked up [illegible] by [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Back & [illegible].
15 [illegible] [illegible] 2 hours in
[illegible] [illegible]. C. [illegible]
and I walked to [illegible]
and saw [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Back
& found letter from A. & [illegible]
& started letter to her [illegible].
[illegible] people. Lunch & [illegible].
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible]: Miss D. for [illegible]. Rested in bed
all afternoon. Down for tea
[illegible] [illegible]. Punch. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] "[illegible]
[illegible]" [illegible] but [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] [illegible] Federova's "[illegible]
[illegible]. Rain more or less.
[illegible] & [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] it up [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

up early Wednesday, Breakfast 9.30
Dull with ~~Tuesday~~, July 29 a little
rain. Sat about reading Times
Russian defeats very serious.
Times leader severe on government
for not opening second front
At 11.10 our car came & we
set out for Keswick: Ambleside
Grasmere Coleridge's house,
Dove Cottage Rydal Mount
Wonderful scenery. Sun came
out and we arrived at Keswick
Hotel in perfect weather. Now
Roedean School. Mr & Mrs
Wise keepers of hotel and now
keepers of school hosts to Dean
& Mrs Inge. Wonderful lunch.
Looked at Miss Maltri's flower
pictures plantains & dandelions.
Then took Dean & Mrs Inge round
Derwentwater, over Honister
Pass and back to Keswick
where we left Inges and tea
at 5 o'c. £4.15.0. Tea & rested
bath & dinner. Talk Mr & Mrs
Hume on Stuart jokes and about
journalists at Bath. Lovely evening
walk on terrace. W.P.C. Mainly G.

Breakfast thursday 9.30 Peach as
usual. ~~Wednesday~~, July 30 Standard
brownish toast & jam. Read paper
in glass verandah. Up stairs &
successfully opened bowels as I have
done after nearly two years
Cut nails in turret. C. & I walked
to Water head and I left her sitting
on bench in little park and walked
to Ambleside; asked for Rowland's
Macassar oil at Chemists O. Walked
back to Waterhead in 8 minutes &
met C. who had walked to a
nursery where she saw little
cactus blooms fires. Boat-owner's brother
rowed us back taking his wife
and daughter & I rowed. After
lunch sat & read for a bit.
and then to bed and slept till
4.30 when we had tea. Later
up & bath & dressed after &
reading for a time in deck
chairs on the terrace. Dinner:
shrimps grouse on toast
Dan. I. After dinner talked
in drawing room to Mr & Mrs
Hanson Hunt — St. Albans
ill in law & his wife — wine
and servants. Walk by lake w. C.

Slept well Friday, C. does not like
to have me ~~Thursday~~, July 31 sleep wi-
out pyjamas as as I must wear
[illegible] me [illegible] a bit.

[GUN LICENCES EXPIRE.

up 8.30. Down for hot water as
usual. Breakfast 9.30. Read
V.O. on lawn. A very good but
people are sometimes boring.
C. jeered at me because looking
over her shoulder at the news-
paper, I commented on an item
'Home' profits Co. instead of thinking
only of Russian prospects. Collapse
of their government may have to
yield to 2nd front clamour.
Walked to nursery beyond Water-
head and ordered spiraea and
roses. Rowed back. Lunch &
[illegible]. Martyr 3. Read V.O. Up
[illegible], but head congested from [illegible]
[illegible] after breakfast. Slept little.
Knock on door - Inge's had early
[illegible] dressed when another knock
and Inge's [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] into [illegible] and very
[illegible] talk. Dean around for
[illegible] special [illegible] as he calls [illegible] as
[illegible] The [illegible] tea [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]. Tea [illegible] taken [illegible]
[illegible] details. Read V.O. [illegible] walk.

Weather Saturday fair weather summer
day warm ~~Friday~~, August 1 & misty.
Weighed some jam for breakfast
Read Times on verandah. [illegible]
[illegible] again and not
discouraged. G. got out to walk
up hill and round garden
close. Sat on fence by road &
smelt the linden &. Wild gera-
niums & pinky spireas, yellow
groundsel. Home and lay [illegible]
Then up to turret. Read V.O.
Rested 2.30 – 4 Tea and sat in
landing of stone stairs and read V.O.
[illegible]. G. in grounds along
lake – very still and misty &
up to turret and bath and
dressed. Dinner and sat on terrace
smoking and finishing my whisky
Then up to turret and read
V.O. chapter on Rachel's death
wonderfully described. Down
and looked everywhere for G.
Found her talking to Mrs Dalyell
in front of hotel. Saw a dog
attacking chicken & but no harm
done. G. had ginger ale. Then up
to turret and to bed.

Another misty morning but cooler
and more Sunday ~~Saturday~~, August 2 wind.
Packed a little before going down
Eked out jam for breakfast. Up
soon after. C. [illegible] long letter
to her mother and I finished
V. O. old book with decided
signs of madness but greatness
in it. Vivid portrayal of ordinary
feeling and human emotions.
Day cheery, felt tired from waking
late & a bit sleepy again. Lay
on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] &
[illegible] & slept a little. Read letter
fr. Claudine. [illegible] a long
letter fr. Mark [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible]
with Carrie. C. & I out to sit
in little [illegible] outside
[illegible] Hotel by little Gothic
[illegible] Summer House. Sat
on bench in flower garden.
Back for lunch. A few drops of
rain developing into a rainy afternoon
Rested fr. 2.30 to 5. Then [illegible] to
tea. Great rush as everyone [illegible] to
talk. Mr. [illegible] about Church
matters. Up to [illegible]. S. Time + Word)
Bath & dinner. C. [illegible] down & [illegible]. I went
up and down. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Thought it Monday, was 7.30 and up
at 6.30 ~~Sunday~~, August 3 and [illegible]
water to drink. Back to bed but no
sleep. Finished packing BANK HOLIDAY. and
~~15th Sunday after Trinity.~~
down to breakfast. Peach. Tipped
old Peter who reminisces over
30 years ago at Wield's Room.
Tipped Cole & Porter & said bye
goodbye to Hilditches & [illegible] off
off promptly at 10.10 in light
rain. Seats in a "couple" carriage at
10.30. High step for C. so did not
get out again. Train left at 11.15
Great crowds at all stations and
train packed. Nice young man from
Coventry and his girl sat with us
gradually more got out at stations
than got in and by one o'clock
no one left standing. Lunch of
Peter's sandwiches. Cup of ale for C.
and whiskey & water for me. C. then
[illegible] reading Horace Walpole. Better
looked out [illegible] and kept [illegible]
[illegible]. Finished S. [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible]. Talked with the 2 young
[illegible] said [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Walpole's [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible]. The [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Dinner [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]

No alerts through. A. had his
no 15 Tuesday, expect them,

~~Monday~~, August 4

Woke 5.30 and traffic again
began and got so [illegible] I
could not sleep again.

[H.M. THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. [BANK HOLIDAY.

Breakfast C. Grosvenor & C.
Came down before I left.
Plenty of Marmalade. Office
10.45. Heavy mail etc.
Opened & sorted letters. Cald
for Thelma of the week for
people [illegible] Corrected
Pattern list. W. Murphy in
Newman. Met C. & Kitty
Fraser at Bill Munnick for
luncheon and then dropped in
to Mrs Lee's antique shop.
C. came to office. opened their
Joint a/c & cashed cheques
Dictated. Call for Stationery
Got a pain & bother with my
crippled jaw. Must cut the
shaft of things. Read poem on
"Tilbury Bay". Walk to G. rm. [illegible]
changed hat & kept day suit. Ma
dinner dress. C. & I to Maggie's
at A.S. [illegible] Faulkner & Parker
[illegible] Pen Club. C.S. [illegible] A

Wednesday, ~~Tuesday~~, August 5

[illegible] Hotel. Slept better. Packed. C. + I breakfast together. To office. Dictated cheques + copied these; others as usual. Feeling [illegible] [illegible] Bac [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] night [illegible] [illegible] S.F. Sent N.Y. cable [illegible] acceptance. Dictated letter [illegible] Balch to get author to lengthen + strengthen [illegible]. Lunch; Atk.; To see [illegible] B.A.C. about [illegible] advising me to advertise. Office. Looked through accumulated papers. Signed letters etc. Walked down to Cumberland Hotel [illegible]. Tired. Cleaned up but [illegible] clothes. Met C. + A at Bull. [illegible] Charlotte St. Place [illegible] dinner together. Then went on to A. Woodham's flat + C. [illegible] [illegible] me. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] him. Taken aback + [illegible] as usual. Maggie [illegible] [illegible] herself [illegible] she [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 5 a.m. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a lot [illegible] [illegible] glad [illegible]

Cumberland Hotel.
E. [illegible] Thursday, fine quality
~~Wednesday~~, August 6
cotton shirts etc. Awful
conditions of mass of humanity
in close quarters. Stop in
Queen's for breakfast but got
in queue & forgot [illegible]
C. to hairdressers. Got to
office 10.30 Call for Jackson
[illegible] papers for Dominions
key post[illegible] Shelley. She
& Stops [illegible] B. [illegible]
Lunch Garrick H. Barnes
& R. E. re. Air Mail paper at
Warrington's. Saw red silk
Chinese brocades. [illegible]
Pallis's. Office talk [illegible]
Called [illegible] Hurry about
Miss Smith. Signed letters. Tea
W. Blackwinder 1941 a/c's
Bus home. Found E. [illegible] as
badly as [illegible] & angry [illegible]
demonstrate on very shortly.
Terribly distressed. S. don't seem
well. French Play at Arts Theatre
w. [illegible] A. Phillips & Boys.
Dinner Garrick. Home 11.15

Up 7.45 Cumberland Hotel. Bath. Packed. Breakfast downstairs. C. upstairs.

Friday

~~Thursday~~, August 7

Office 10.45. Endorsed cheques and looked thro' orders. Stanley Jackson book practically sold out. Dictated most of morning and started draft of letter to Ministry of Labour appealing to keep Miss Smith. To Acropolis Restaurant and met Q. + A. for lunch. Put C. on 73 bus and walked to bank and got out box of jewels valued at about £2,500 then bought Air Mail paper Warrington's. Looked at red amber brooch at Mrs Pollit's. Signed letters. Took our cleaning list. van. driver Mr Brewer about petrol. Taxi with luggage to Victoria. Met Q. Mr Jolin, Nannie and Mrs Sandland and Stuart with whom Mrs S. has been staying. 5.45 Amberland. Walked home picking up ducks that had grown in last fortnight. Walked through Cuckfield and along allotments. Q. out looking at the borders which is now bright with [illegible] flowers. Unpacked. Had gin + lemon drink. Vicar called after dinner.

Saturday ~~Friday~~, August 8

A [illegible] up early. Breakfast 10. Got down to [illegible] leaving one of M—'s cheque parcels for Mrs Buckman. Got money at ~~store~~ and paid men. Down to Spice Key & paid Newell on holiday. Paid Pain's bill to man on our thatched house. Bought carpet of Mrs Oulden this & [illegible] carpet. C. said buy it, so I went back & told Mrs O. for dinner. Back to luncheon. Worked w/. Price Allen to go to find why hot water does not run after Steele works on tanks in our absence. Paid Jack Burnell at work in island. Morris told us that I showed strips [illegible] broken; and Humphrey is a muddle over this. Rested. Down late to tea. A. back. Worked w/. Price Allen but came out fine [illegible]. Away to cottage [illegible]. B. to lunch at cottage. After dinner A. to bed an- chill on bladder. Accounts

After [illegible] A. opened parcels fr. Annie D. [illegible]

Put clocks Sunday back an hour
attack ~~Saturday~~, August 9
diarrhoea probably from some
of the salted meat. ROYAL ACADEMY CLOSES.
Breakfast 9.30 only toast
and tea; ironed and got
clothes; Charles found that
water had not been turning
on. C. & I fetched it. Vic
told me of depth of his [illegible]
disagreeable [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] from here.
Wanted for nurses [illegible]
in stitches. Only toast & hot
milk & brandy for lunch.
Finished July / August accounts,
rested in chair. A. [illegible]
& blankets stayed in bed till 4
[illegible]. Bad attack [illegible]
[illegible]. Norma has done lady
[illegible]. Tea & toast. Opened
[illegible] box and found [illegible]
[illegible] for A. & got [illegible]
[illegible] stitches; Started [illegible]
And I could not go for walk
[illegible] C. & [illegible] fruit. After dinner
[illegible] [illegible] & got [illegible] [illegible]

H. went Monday, back to [illegible]
7 o'c. ~~taking~~ ~~Sunday~~, August 10 her cutlery
Taken back two baskets of vegetables
to Station. I spoke to [illegible] ~~[9th Sunday after Trinity.~~
[illegible] about their luncheon
cards! Great pleasure. To station
[illegible] taking my big framed
photograph of Botticelli's Prima-
[illegible] w. draft letter to
him about his book. Walked
to Vandon Court with stuff vegetables
& potatoes for A. Plum Tea cakes
shop closed for holiday. Call
for Mr. West who wants to
come back to Petrograd. B'rea
Baker's stories around for N.G.
Organization thro' British Legation
at Stockholm. Lunch Carr [illegible]
[illegible] Swan. Malcolm Sargent
had his young on this. Sir
[illegible] [illegible] shew some papers
[illegible] for Newman's book.
Signed letters etc. Home 5-45
Dozed off in couch. Read Tolstoi
story. C. did not come tonight
one other cause it had been [illegible].
After dinner tel. fr. A. Picked his
[illegible] to [illegible] quil. Talk C. [illegible]

5 [illegible] Tuesday N J [illegible] + [illegible]

~~Monday~~, August 11

about — [illegible] nausea &
diarrhea [illegible] cured. Read
Blix and Peter & Rosa up.
[illegible] Then [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] his [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] Phillips. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Dances in holida[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] on [illegible]
Prepared [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Greeted [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] daughter [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] A. at 5 [illegible]
and had [illegible] talk. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Talk [illegible]
[illegible] & signed letters.
Talk Mr Mead about Mr West,
[illegible] terms. Sept 6 [illegible].
Read Blix in [illegible] here.
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] ticket [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] who had come back wi[illegible]
for a few days, and Ruth + Katie

quit Wednesday" meet again

Dance ~~Tuesday~~, August 12 Chat

[illegible] to Kell [illegible]

[GROUSE SHOOTING BEGINS.

Spoke to Jim [illegible]
Windows in Coal hole. New
season ticket. To P[illegible]
Mr Mathias. W. [illegible]
Finished Correcting Blixen's Seven.
Here. TOA - IN, [illegible] 1 gin
& 1 whiskey. Office call [illegible]
Mr West [illegible] nephew has been [illegible]
a government job so [illegible]
[illegible] back to us. Dictated
[illegible] for Mr Barrett's nephew after
[illegible] Ankerly. Had an old
quart [illegible] who tied the down
[illegible]. Went over [illegible]
addresses w. Somerset &
accounts. £150 owing due
me! Lunch [illegible] Helpern Bar.
[illegible] Shopping etc. 5.4 [illegible]
Read Blixen [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] by [illegible] on Stephen Road and
[illegible] up by Shears [illegible] to
Pepper Pot [illegible] & down hill home
all day [illegible] [illegible]

up late Lowry Day Thursday and breakfast
8.30 ~~Wednesday~~, August 13 Spoke
to [illegible] about [illegible]
in Coal [illegible]. He will finish
cementing court today.
W. Frith in [illegible] about [illegible]
damage contribution $1.00 [illegible]
W. Rogers [illegible] about
[illegible] [illegible] shades and
that Norman finished the
paid bills. S. taking letter 8.45
[illegible] S. C. at Lemon [illegible]
[illegible], Talk [illegible] A.
[illegible] at home not [illegible]
well going to see doctor this [illegible]
Dictated Mrs C. Lunch Garrick
St. John Field. Asked Felix Aylmer
[illegible] and he thought
[illegible] were then in England +
travelling + want to know for [illegible]
[illegible]. Home 5.4 [illegible] not settle
[illegible] [illegible] carriage + [illegible]
trying to [illegible] at Dorking [illegible]
[illegible] + went in my letter to
[illegible] S. C. met me + [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] walk. A
[illegible] letter, Dr. [illegible] [illegible]

A. telephoned [illegible] all [illegible] & going [illegible]
[illegible] Friday, meets [illegible] [illegible]
pictures [illegible]

~~Thursday~~, August 14

late. Tel. [illegible] post office
worked on mem. Transferred cards
Talk Charley about insurance stamps
etc. Out - [illegible] C. at work on his
books. Made out new list of
wages. Talk C. Tom [illegible] at work
on Goat shed window. Talk [illegible]
apples. After lunch took cheques
and envelopes down to Amherst
Stores for wages money. Talk
Billy [illegible] insurance stamps.
Spent afternoon talking to Vicar about
his [illegible] lane etc. Tea and
went out and saw John Budd [illegible]
on top of studio [illegible]. Down
to engine room and saw [illegible]
of Bath apples on floor, [illegible] window.
Across road and looked at new
window that Tom [illegible] is putting in
Goat shed - nearly finished. Talk
[illegible] to get on with moving soil
for Vicar's lane. Got piece of
[illegible] and started to make
[illegible] to put by bowl of apples for
people to help themselves. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] came and sat [illegible] on my [illegible]

Saturday

~~Friday~~, August 15

Breakfast wi' G. at 9.30 Down to square and got money worked out. complicated wages and insurances. Paid men and explained insurance G and I down to square. Miss Daglish shouting up on again in street. Got more insurance stamps for John's card. Cup of six Blue at Black Horse. G. and I studied walls by tunnel wi' steam plug. Joined by Vigers who asked me to help in A.R.P. work and stayed talking till 1 o'c. After lunch worked on sign for boxes of apples. "Please help yourself" Down to see workmen and I paid Boswell. Went on wi' sign. Out to see Budd who has finished thatching joining kitchen tiles & thatch on Studio. Saw John upset at change in his money owing to my taking over his insurance. Explained it and raised his pay 2.6. Tea and by that time it had begun to rain so we could not go for walk. Worked on sign before and after dinner. Finished lettering

Slept Sunday. late. Breakfast
w. C. ~~Saturday~~, August 16 10 o'c. &
Heavy grey morning after
last night's hard rain.
Wound clocks. Finished
lettering of my apple sign.
C. & I set out to walk thro'
castle yard and up by ruin
of Pepper Pot. Had already felt
palpitating and bored but
glad to have done it.
After lunch painted back
[illegible] of my [illegible]. Then
went to fire and [illegible] brought
up all the beech blades
from hedge. Cut some
nettles and gave them to pigs.
They ate them without enthusiasm
probably too old. Must cut them
young next year. Tea, then C. &
I attacked tunnel wall & I cut down
branches. Girls racing about.
Black currant & gin. After dinner

cremated [illegible] + A.M. [illegible] in Russia

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
woke up Monday [illegible] brightly & up [illegible]

Spoke to ~~Sunday~~, August 17 Christy

about having Jack Carter's

[illegible] Car. [~~10th Sunday after Trinity~~.

Changed at O'Brien's. put. our
Writing Correction Blisset's Gem
[illegible] Daly at [illegible]
[illegible] for. [illegible]. Cut Overture
Fleetw. Cheques & orders. Dictat
Have cut very short! No
money Kin. Alas for me [illegible]
@ anxiety! Saw Bernard Dane
say it is his wife who is com
of Mrs [illegible]. Shop to O'Brien's.
coffee. Signed letters & cheques
[illegible]. Jackson about [illegible]
for Berners Bay. Tel. [illegible]. Angels
[illegible]. No news of Alfreda [illegible]
[illegible] supposed to go to [illegible]
[illegible] Cuffey on Friday.
5.45 home. Rain Blisset [illegible]
[illegible] at station. walked beside
[illegible] on bicycle. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for A. & walked up to [illegible]
[illegible] about A. accident. elopement.

got out [illegible] Tuesday mattresses and blankets

~~Monday~~, August 18

for Brunner, [illegible] working in
both coat and finish of [illegible]
V. car brought C. 11 walked to
station. Misty cool morning. Turn
Let. Corrected Blixen in
train. 12 taxi to Dover Street
& left C. at hairdresser's. Got cake
for tea. Talk Mr Brunner about
fire watching kit. Talk Mr
[illegible] Read proof of autumn list
C. having lunch. w. Pen Norman
and A. Out in car w. Brunner
to Woburn Sq. for [illegible] and then
to Dutton. Lunch Museum Tav.
Talk Mr Jones about draft
Call for C. at Pryor. Called him
Corrected list. Tel. fr. A. Doctor
say not sufficient cab. [illegible]
cab. 8.0 back to Embassy.
Corrected Blixen. Met C. & T. home
by 6.15. Met V. car & his daughter
at P'boro & Frank Peppers. Saw
Lord Courtney, a commonplace looking
young man, who lost an arm in
Flanders. After dinner finished Blixen

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~, August 19

Packed up [illegible] rats, chair
and Cushion to [illegible] strap
for [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] G. late at [illegible]
and [illegible] OK in carriage pr.
Mr Matthias and Miss K. [illegible]
I went not after coach in [illegible]
[illegible] letters to Sunningdale [illegible]
[illegible] about the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to Tom Pepper about
dead elm trees. G. tried to find me
and went way back to [illegible]
[illegible] coach. I waited for her
at Epsom and then found her.
[illegible] disputing. Took [illegible]
there to taxi to [illegible] G. Took
taxi on to Miss [illegible]. Dictated
a bit signed cheques etc. Took
[illegible] to Sutton. Got [illegible] Club
[illegible] Sehindler [illegible]
[illegible] Got sulphur, Black [illegible]
[illegible] Cameo Cream, looked
at my Niello box £15.0.0 [illegible]
[illegible] J. 20 [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Lunch Carrick, Morning
[illegible] man. Talk Clifford. Met E.
from 6.18. Anderson at [illegible]
[illegible] took her home in taxi. [illegible]

~~Wednesday~~, August 20

Bright Thursday morning. Left
note on Tom
Pepper. W. draft letter to [illegible]
[illegible]. Finished letter to M[illegible]
S. at last. Left clock with
Cammerer [illegible] to see if they can
make it go before I buy it.
Dictated Mrs E. C. Out in car &
took Mr Bruce from D[illegible] St.
at his flat off Caledonian Road.
Lunch Ath. Somehow was [illegible]
to do much in afternoon. Looked
at [illegible] proofs. To Baker
Street & got shirt repaired
by Lewton. Home 5.30. Mr
[illegible] Macey at [illegible] & told
him about Windermere & he told
one his usual funny but [illegible]
stories. E. didn't meet them
as she had to go [illegible] to
tea. Mrs Goulart told us her
[illegible]
[illegible]. Read E. my letter
to [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Thursday, August 21

[illegible] [illegible] Friday morning. Saw
and Clover [illegible] Dream
[illegible] Singer. Started Sylvia
Studdert Kennedy in train.
Office dictating & gave Miss
G. Studdert Kennedy letter
to copy. Talk Bruce about
[illegible]. Joined A. at Chandler
at lunch. Talked after to
Helen Dashwood and Sarah
[illegible] very well dressed. A. not
got a home & [illegible] for
Mr Winant. Got Tom
Macaulay [illegible] Savory & Moore.
Made out extra expenses [illegible]
& draft letter to Mr Chapin
[illegible] afternoon. Got
200 cigarettes for B. Home 5.4
3 [illegible] & word puzzle. [illegible]
when I [illegible] [illegible] but
Taylor meeting someone at station
so got him to come back for
[illegible]. Had B. [illegible] [illegible] A.
After dinner addressed [illegible]
envelopes. Bill finally [illegible]
us. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as I wanted

☉ Up Saturday, 9.30 Breakfast
~~Friday~~, August 22
w. G. 9.30 Down to Hugo's and
got wages money. Made out
pay envelopes and paid men.
Humphrey has been at home ail-
ing since Thursday. G. and I
down to P.O. and I got insurance
stamps and stamped cards
G. and I to Mrs Dunphie about G's
gardening. Mrs Sisley who arrived
yesterday with sons Edward 21
and Tommy 14 later out for
bathing, seemingly having had
well. Delivering at Stalders [illegible]
[illegible] came back with nets in
their hair. After lunch, out to
pay Bounds at work laying
old elm tree against back
wall of studio. Down to see
Maple Buckman about A.R.
work. Bath and bed. Dinner
for C.G. A. had arrived and
Roger Babcock now in Navy
officer's uniform. Out for
[illegible] practice in A's [illegible]
boat. Chatted w. C. and.
[illegible]

up late. Sunday, Breakfast 10.30
w. Roy, ~~Saturday~~, August 23 G. & the A.
[illegible] [illegible]. This to get a part
of corduroy trousers & blue
coat w. [illegible] without much
success. out was Charles and
told him he might make some
[illegible] pen for his chickens at
bottom of his garden. Went
down to [illegible] and he [illegible]
[illegible] flower was [illegible]-weed
not [illegible]. purely. [illegible] for
walk on Buckholm Road. A & R
walk in [illegible]. After lunch
weeded grass [illegible] and
[illegible]. Then [illegible] and [illegible]
till tea. A. R. had slept
on [illegible]. [illegible] finish [illegible]
[illegible]. Then G & I walked on
Wild banks for the first time
since his accident. Beth & [illegible]
Then made cocktails before
supper. [illegible] on [illegible].
A & R. [illegible] till R. left
for 9.30 train, taking A's [illegible]
to [illegible]. Talked about
A's friends that were children
[illegible] friends Bev, Mark,
Marly, Perkins, Roger, Cecile

1st used [illegible] from [illegible]

up 7 o'c. Monday. A. back by early

~~Sunday~~, Monday, August 24

train. Got out
old clothes for Tommy Sibley to
help Humphrey's [illegible]
[illegible] stay in bed when he had
breakfast, wearing a [illegible]
[illegible] clothes for holiday. Told
[illegible] to think of [illegible] pickle and put
potatoes and apples before
[illegible] lane [illegible]

~~[11th Sunday after Trinity.~~

[illegible] T. [illegible] Tony Cox M. at
[illegible] Slater's letter [illegible]
office [illegible] Smith about his
[illegible] T.H. Court [illegible]
[illegible] lunch. [illegible]
[illegible] to come back, will
[illegible] this P.M. Dictated [illegible]
[illegible] lunch [illegible]
talk [illegible] about his £25.
[illegible] for [illegible] better [illegible]
[illegible] Signed letters etc.
At lunch time bought 2 little [illegible]
pictures of Brighton. 5.4 [illegible]
[illegible] letter to M. [illegible] G.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] opp. [illegible]

[illegible]
D[illegible] Tuesday [illegible] this. Mr. Chirol[illegible]

~~Monday~~, August 25

niece [illegible] has been
in Persia. Tom Pepper says his
own woodmen mostly want to burn
dead elms for fuel. Went on with
letter to W. L. [illegible] law. Took
[illegible] about @'s [illegible].
Mr. West came to see me
about work. Major Burton tel.
can't come to lunch. Tel.
Press [illegible] curious story that
"I Rode with Stonewall" has
been banned for fear of offending
Coloured people. [illegible]
Jack [illegible] asked to write
[illegible] could review
[illegible] (Byrd) book. Called to see
[illegible] about [illegible] C.A.C. about
supplies to my car [illegible] talk
[illegible] about [illegible] Dobson's [illegible]
[illegible] it is quite reasonable.
[illegible] going [illegible] about [illegible]
[illegible]. Cut [illegible] Tom [illegible]
[illegible] went [illegible]
[illegible] Mr. C. to take "wrapped" [illegible]
[illegible] home clock for C. arrived in

Duke of Kent killed flying

Hot. Wednesday, grey thunder [illegible].

~~Tuesday~~, August 26

Duke of Kent killed in flying accident. G. had satisfactory talk yesterday w. Mrs Sibley. Read Inge's Talks in a Free Country in train. Left clock w. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Met [illegible] [illegible] S.A.T.C. Dictated. Dealt w. Mrs. Sorted out [illegible] papers for Mr West. Took car to [illegible] close damp weather, mind a blank when driving. To Claridges in rain. Lunch w. Alfreda. Saw [illegible] Thompson. Finished reading [illegible] proof. Took production graphs down to West who talked [illegible] about his work. 5.14 train home. Hardly slept. Read papers. Met E. at hotel and went for walk in [illegible] Road. She tried to walk before and says she is giving up stick in house. After read letters. M. n. [illegible] describing [illegible] [illegible]

Hot - heavy morning. [illegible]

Thursday

~~Wednesday~~, August 27

Charlie [illegible] called up and [illegible]

I and then with others. C. & I up to London together. Letter fr. [illegible] wants us to stay at Walton Heath. Letter fr. Fraser. Engaged to Master Christian's sister. Letter to Jimmie. G. & I in 35 Bus. G. got out at Piccadilly Circus I go to Cutlers & Sons shop. Stopped down stairs and talked to Mr. [illegible] about production and [illegible] asked Mr Schmeelt to audit production ledger. Lunch Claridges with G. & Daniels Ministry and Countess Russell. He asked to give my name in support of Free Russia & come to England. Talked of Baron in Police.

Back to office. W. Evelyn Marie & Olive talked about [illegible]. Met G. at Frida Restaurant. [illegible] flat over [illegible]. G. had [illegible] Dieppe. [illegible] disappointing. Spoke of Edward [illegible] his death. G. [illegible] A's [illegible] said she should be patient as A. was what she & Nanna had [illegible] for, [illegible], had always opposed

up soon after 7. C. had been
awake worrying over A's

Friday

~~Thursday~~, August 28

hair. Tried to comfort her by
affection. After breakfast saw
Charley about laying off maker
and about mending stove pipe.
Got cake baking pan for my m[illegible]
stove as English substitute exploded
last night and let my custard [illegible]
Spoke to Mrs Sibley and told her
to arrange her work so as to rest
in afternoon. Mr & Mrs Fibben
here for the day asked Mrs F. to
speak to Mrs S. and get an
impression. Talk to Mr Scudder
about Mrs Sibley. She thought it
might be all right but Charley
now very unhappy, too much
discipline. Kingsley and Mr
Humphrey seemed over come by fret
Started to clear away dead branches
for. Thinking over trees and
continued after lunch, first ex-
plaining to Humphrey how I wanted
dry wood [illegible] beyond [illegible] built.
Strengthened along earth. Worked
till tea in jodhpurs and got out
great pile of dead branches &
accumulated rubbish. Tommy Sibley
Sibley left early afternoon [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

up late. Saturday To Stores & P.O.
- got wages ~~Friday~~, August 29 money &
insurance stamps. Paid men.
Conference re: Charley - letter in
that. Told Mrs Sibley, wanted
back about [illegible] a [illegible]. To
she said Mrs Searland had 'told
her and they would have them
after tea. Put in insurance stamps
[illegible]
To P.O. wi C. Back by Mr
Goldsmiths, after lunch. Audited
accounts for August. Worked
on Trumpet. Tea. Tennis till
spoilt by rain, children out
and came running back for
cricket - had a dozen playing
Edward in pram. C. saw Mrs
Sibley has a headache; gave her aspirin.
12
Started practicing piano again. Angie
pretty stiff. Chi and Charles
[illegible] before dinner. After
dinner. Read [illegible].
thinks Archie Clark Kerr suggested
PM's visit to Moscow - Started
Times & word puzzle. Bed late.

up late; Sunday, weather turned
Cool but ~~Saturday~~, August 30 still damp
wound clocks. Picked corn. I
A. came down with hair rather
pathetically put up, but still
neat. I think she may be trying
to carry out a suggestion of mine.
Picked up apples before and
after lunch and filled barrel
and gave a big bag full to
Mrs Mulligan who had come
down for the day. Rested in
bed until nearly five o'c.
Then came down and mixed
lime & gin in American proportions
into a drink and got lost
sherry and gin. Lovely cool
bright evening. Lavinia, Tatiana
and Captain Pecsi of [illegible]
Corps for dinner & he stayed to
supper. After he left finished
Times + Herald & went to bed
till 12.30

Warm Monday, rainy morning.

Cuff. [illegible] ~~Sunday~~, August 31 at Cuffe's.

Old Emmett family on platform

in the [illegible]. Mrs

Yeats [illegible] Dorothy dragged and

banged. W. letter to J.C.H.

Stegin [illegible] routine.

Mr Allen telephoned plan of letting

house furnished to American

Naval attaché for 7 guineas a

week. Dietary. Out to lunch

Holborn, stopped at Eagles

about asparagus, and

Andersons about rain

coat. [illegible]. Harness [illegible]

Rest. Bus. To [illegible]; & looked up

[illegible] in Murray's Dictionary

Book to office. Mr Williams of

U.V.S. did not turn up. Mr

[illegible] called on his way to

convalescent home. Home 5.4.

out on W. letter to J.C.H. With

difficulty got C. to go for walk

with me up Caithness Road.

Saw old Mr Cuff and Bob Mor-

[illegible] shop [illegible] came round

~~[12th Sunday after Trinity.~~

[illegible]

Dull Tuesday, morning. Charley
went at ~~Monday~~, September 1 for 8/
pinnacles Lincoln Zephyr. Read
Murphy in train [PARTRIDGE SHOOTING BEGINS.
Dictated. Tel. A. Drew up copy
for Oct. stag jackets. Lunch
Garrick — R. Walker & talked
about Chris Pearson, quite apparently
a brisk type. Doesn't think
much of his business ability.
Got 24 lbs. 7 15 inch Cheddars.
Left 1/2 at Chiswick. Call from
H. V. [illegible], Mrs. Stapes's [illegible]
has lost his job in Air Force
and came to ask for a job
with us. Did Marks put this
up to it? Telegram to Mrs.
Williams recommended by N. L. S.
who didn't turn up yesterday.
Home 5.4. Dinner 7.50.
To Air Raid Warden's Meeting:
[illegible]. Frank Pepper [illegible]
[illegible]; views, Wells, Parkin, Reed,
Kathleen, Sexton, Smith,
good thing to meet and talk. Home 9.15
Sewed band on my old hat. Read paper

Cloudy Wednesday Cool. Pigs &

~~Tuesday~~, September 2

hen-run [illegible] again.
Mrs [illegible] getting much
[illegible] [illegible] & [illegible]
Now [illegible] that matter. Tal-
ked to old Crouchurst himself
about fencing out pigs. Miss
Jah. at station [illegible]
& Edward to see her off. Worked
on Murphy's ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]
a play. Cable from Mr Jackson
[illegible] papers for Winter's Tale.
Lunch A. at Claridges. [illegible]
waiting for Lady Leigh. Col.
[illegible] Bell & ? [illegible] daughter.
David Margesson [illegible] lunch
with Mrs [illegible] Churchill
as M & Harriman in America. A.
took me to Sir Francis [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] opening office.
Dictated. I finished [illegible]
[illegible] Young Canadian Soldier in
[illegible]. Worked on Murphy
Children began party to celebrate
[illegible] arrival in [illegible] 3 years ago
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Talk [illegible]

Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, September 3

[illegible] by waking in a.m. [illegible] 8, 3 [illegible] to Chock about [illegible], pr 80 horse-radish. Worked on Murphy in Lexin. She is getting off the track. Took rain-coat to Anderson and had him remove buttons and then sent it to firm that advertised re-proofing in Times shoppers market. Dictated. Finished reading and annotating Murphy — very bad. Lunch, Cornick's and took back parcels of candles that I had left. Stopped to ask Mrs. Pallis re a red glass goblet but I must not buy any more junk. Home 5.20. Read Blixen proof. Clive Merry and his aunt Roger at Pulborough and came on via Anderson and Watkins. Light rain coming home. C. at church, National day of prayer. Went to meet her with umbrella. Read papers before dinner and corrected Blixen proofs after. Bed late & woke late in my own room now nightly

Bridport Friday, wi. C. about 10 °C.

~~Thursday~~, September 4

Put fresh earth in Gillis pigs. Directed Humphrey's men building on E. side of path beyond tunnel. Studied gardening wi. C. behind Mr Arbuit where she has ideas for veget. Took old beer bottles to Black Horse but Mr Jackson could not give me any more beer because Welsh soldiers had stolen her supply. Got insurance stamps fr. P.O. and stamped cards. Germans seem to be capturing Stalingrad. After luncheon picked apples wi. Newell and Chumley. Crowhurst mended chicken wire to keep out pigs. Down to stores, got money made up envelopes and paid men. Weeded [illegible] bed wi. C. by hand. Pulled up big dandelion-ish weeds around clump and fed them to pigs. Tea. C. has headache so did not suggest walk, but got her to stand with her legs straight. Evening by our selves by fire. Mrs Sibley doing better. Paid Brown [illegible] peaches and gave Brooks apples. Drinks for dinner.

Tried Saturday Charley to go all
out for [illegible] getting up
[illegible] with all hands. I [illegible]
~~Friday~~, September 5

and arranged C. [illegible]
that Tilden could [illegible]
best as ever been his
campaign. Started letter to
Marlyn Skinner a lawn. [illegible]
Cat. Phyllis [illegible]
dressed and went to
office in taxi. Stopped a min.
in Capitol street [illegible] got
[illegible] to [illegible] in [illegible] to
connect telephone. Arranged for
a W. N. [illegible] with [illegible]
for Clark [illegible] Co. [illegible]
letter T. M. C. A. [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] with Dewey.
[illegible]. W. S. i. b Clyn. Chapin
[illegible] C. A. D. P. Draft letter to
Matthews & Newman [illegible]
[illegible]. Went on w. letter to C. [illegible]
[illegible] S [illegible] Back to
office a taxi to [illegible] house.
Birthday of C. who had lunch w. C.
[illegible] & O.K. for [illegible]
[illegible] Stanley. Then Walker [illegible]
C. & A. Martyn [illegible]. Talked before [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Sunday, Park. Lovely day.
New [illegible] ~~Saturday~~, September 6 [illegible]
in long passage. Stayed in [illegible] before
breakfast. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
up in front and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have no
[illegible]. Breakfast with [illegible]
[illegible] from Chris [illegible] [illegible].
Sat in summer house and [illegible]
up to see C. who had breakfast
in bed. Walk round [illegible]
[illegible] walk with Chris.
Sat in summer house and talked
to Marthe, Pickie about children
and environment etc. Chris
[illegible] just [illegible]. Into
library & finished letter to Marty
Spring. Sir & [illegible] C[illegible] to
[illegible]. She looks better [illegible]
inflamed eyes. He [illegible] [illegible]
with [illegible] that does not fit
Delicious lunch there. Walk with
Ralph & his dogs. Clyne left. Tea
and O. G. [illegible] & [illegible]. Marty
[illegible] left. During day had seen
[illegible] [illegible] out in the [illegible] &
[illegible] Cardinal. After dinner, [illegible].

~~Sunday~~ Monday, September 7

~~[13th Sunday after Trinity.~~

Watching from Park. Another lovely
day. Antoinette drove to see
us. Off. Allen to put our luggage
in after. Brought [illegible] who
was terribly like old times. C. & I
corner seats in long train
our other passengers in carriage
all the way. Corrected Blake
proofs. C. & I in taxi to [illegible]
and got blue cord etc, then
to gardens & looked at trees.
Then to J. Bell & Croydon where
I got 6 bottles of apple juice &
orange & grapefruit. C. to [illegible]
& I took the luggage to office. Bruce
did not come. I thought because
another brother on leave. Lunch
Garrick. Saw Paul Willert on
leave for Hebrides. T.L. & made
appointment with Rex dentist. Talk
went. Hair cut. Got taxi with
difficulty & took luggage to [illegible]
C. had lunch at [illegible] with A., Eddy
Acton, & Elizabeth [illegible]. C. called
Mrs Tait & [illegible]. Taylor
told us Julian [illegible] cut hand. Paul
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible]
At dinner C. & I quarrelled over A's
[illegible]. I had [illegible] [illegible] Nannie's [illegible]

Another Tuesday, lovely day cool and sunny

~~Monday~~, September 8

Mrs John did not come back last night as expected. Talk Humphrey ab. work on wall fr. tunnel. Talk Charly John's hand cut across knuckle Sunday. To P boys re. bldg, taking coat & skirt back to Lea Charles for alteration. Corrected Blitz in all the way to Victoria. Call fr. Cruickshank who had mislaid my advertisement for Sketch 10. Corrected Blackstag jacket proof. Rumer AK. Edgar Bonham Carter. Corrected Blitz. Talk Somerset. Tel A. before lunch & arranged for Thursday. Signed letters. 5.4 home. Corrected Blitz. Papers full of Churchills Speech. usual confidence on attacking. E. & I walk in wild Brooks. Mrs Scarland away for a couple of days. Mrs Dibley Amy better. Wireless report of Churchills speech. Listened to Germany as usual. Russians attacked [illegible]. Prisoners at Dieppe misty moist morning. Stiff neck arm & hand better.

Wednesday ~~Tuesday~~ September 9

Worked on [illegible] Black proof. Office at [illegible]. Mr [illegible] likes [illegible] [illegible] pencil design. Call fr Mr Jackson & took him down to see Mr West. Lunch Sib. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Peter [illegible], David Kerr and the [illegible] [illegible] after. Finished all the [illegible] proof that I have. W.D. made letter appealing for Mr Smith who calls for interview tomorrow. Home 5.4. Read Dr [illegible] new [illegible] "Black [illegible]". [illegible] walk by [illegible] Rd [illegible] district long time over [illegible] with grass and trees. I [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] A's clothes & [illegible] After dinner Read papers & [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible]

Cool Thursday, misty 7.30 morning; sun [illegible] clouds in

~~Wednesday~~, September 10

lately [illegible]. C. has proofs. [illegible] for Angela. L. [illegible] [illegible] Bragg & [illegible] C. ask him [illegible] for [illegible]. Fine [illegible] [illegible] prints. W. Petrol [illegible] about gift [illegible]. Started letter to M. L. [illegible] 11 [illegible]. Mrs Smith at [illegible] [illegible]. M. Barnes came up to say [illegible] typist [illegible] [illegible]. Stiff-neck much [illegible] M. W[illegible] [illegible] changed [illegible] [illegible]. He cured his that way on doctor's advice. Read Stevens's translations of omitted passages in Don Flores Home. [illegible] A. at [illegible]. She has bought [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] cant [illegible] that way. Said I would give up [illegible] and [illegible] her clothes matters. She [illegible] interested in idea of new coat & skirt. [illegible] Madame S[illegible], looking [illegible]. Said [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] picked out grey [illegible] and in the middle. [illegible]

Bad Friday, night w. stiff neck.

~~Thursday~~, September 11

Not able to go to [illegible]. Breakfast 9.30. Mr Search called about heating fire & put in new cast iron pipe. Tel. Mrs C. about her [illegible]; [illegible] Voigt, A. & Jacquemar. Drank a lot of water all day for my stiff neck. Cut out old shirts and cut a pattern for one [illegible] from it. Mrs [illegible] takes them to Mrs Baker St. place. Walked with C. in warm sunshine to Black Horse and got some bottles of ale. Ate milk and spaghetti & a bit of cheese for lunch. Slept and pattered over & worked puzzle all afternoon. Neck very painful and hardly any better. Nothing pleased for tea. Tel. for M. Skinner. [illegible] Tuesday [redacted] [redacted] worked on word puzzle before and after dinner. Germany [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] still [illegible].

[illegible]

Sept- Saturday, better, [illegible]

~~Friday~~, September 12

and [illegible] a great deal of [illegible]. Called at 8 7.30 but- to sleep again and not up till 9 o'c. Exercises & bath for twice as regular time. Call fr. [illegible] [illegible] on telephone, in U.S.A. Air Force. Asked him down & told him to get into touch with A. Davis [illegible] for money and paid me [illegible] doing [illegible] with [illegible]. Cut at [illegible] Tutor's Room and took out rotten apples and gave a lot of good ones to [illegible] by. Only potatoes and milk for lunch! Mr. [illegible] out- C: money and my stamps at Post Office. Met S[illegible] and [illegible] 15 minutes late to lunch and G. angry but could not help it! Rested in chair. A. arrived with her hair up in new style. G. resting up stairs. Am [illegible] old chapters [illegible]. G. did [illegible]. A & I picked up apples. Tea put [illegible] cut. I got a [illegible] in 3 minutes getting [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible] appeal.

[illegible]

Night Sunday, not too good but

~~Saturday~~, September 13

felt better [illegible] after I got up about 9.30. Long exercises in bath [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] at 1.20 [illegible] night arrived about 10. [illegible] here 11.20. Read papers. [illegible] after bathing. A's [illegible] [illegible] looked better when first [illegible] but [illegible] struggles. A. to station to meet [illegible]. G. [illegible] Mrs Sibley found her on verge of collapse. [illegible] [illegible] her [illegible] much [illegible] in Dr [illegible] who [illegible] Mr. [illegible]. G. spoke [illegible] girl about [illegible] [illegible] and Mrs [illegible] came but [illegible] G. for speaking about it to her child. G. [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] very [illegible] and affectionate. [illegible] said Mrs Sibley would probably [illegible] breakdown [illegible] and her [illegible] to get well. Cocktails before dinner. A. [illegible] walk after A had [illegible] which I showed [illegible] his grandfather's [illegible] [illegible] in N. [illegible] [illegible] N. [illegible] before dinner. [illegible] left. A [illegible]

Monday

~~Sunday~~, September 14

~~[14th Sunday after Trinity~~

A. off at 10 o'c. Talk C. about
A's clothes. Charles was de-
lighted to see [illegible] yesterday &
showed him his old accept-
[illegible] David. [illegible]
w. [illegible] for security / A. to her
clothes / for getting her. Went on
w. letter to Mrs. Lane. [illegible]
[illegible] business writing. Call
to Mrs West. Tel. to Mr Cleland
about Mrs Willsait — says will
come to see me with her [illegible]
friend tomorrow — Met A.
at Embassy & to Jacquemar
she liked material and coat
and skirt. We also looked
at dresses and coats. Lunch
at sandwich counter and
I went back to Jacquemar
[illegible] also [illegible]
three. Dictated. Signed letters
5.4 different [illegible]
[illegible]. I bought many [illegible]
[illegible] Charing [illegible]
[illegible] Ex. G. played with [illegible]
S. o. [illegible]

Tuesday, ~~Monday~~, September 15

Cool grey day. My neck better. No corridor in 9.10 train so changed at [illegible]. W. Martyn Skinner. Office. Saw appl. from Mr & Mrs Williams about her coming to take care of children. Lunch Garrick. Mr West discussed pricing formula. Mr Somervell ditto. Saw young Burne about getting re-touched lights for [illegible]. Dictated. Drew up [illegible] Prof. circular. Signed letters and left office at 5 o'c. 35 Bus to Victoria. Slept in train. [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] appears in its last phase. This morning telephone talk to Martyn S. at [illegible] with his mother. Brief walk with G. & A. In the drawing room saw Mrs Sibley and told her that she was not suited for work but she said it was getting better etc. But after dinner I saw her and gave her a week's notice. She really is hopeless. Told Mr Watkins about Dinner. No.

Lovely Wednesday bright cool

morning. ~~Tuesday~~, September 16 Emmet

[illegible] and Marian, [illegible] and

the boy at station. Up [illegible]

[illegible] Matthews and helped

all the way to Croydon about

[illegible] W.P.C. & [illegible]

straight to Jacques for [illegible]

[illegible] went a long time for

Mr Dean. Finally [illegible]

[illegible] in black [illegible]

[illegible] ordered by Lady Herbert

and blue worsted coat. Met

[illegible] Newman in Bond St. and

talked to him about A. Evelyn [illegible]

Emmett passed us as we were

talking. Office after 12. Sent

off copy to Pub. Co. also

[illegible] [illegible] / [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]. Sent off Talks in

[illegible] County [illegible].

Dictated & signed letters. Home 5.30

and [illegible] proof. Molly [illegible]

of [illegible] [illegible] C. [illegible]

[illegible] in Cairo. Dined at [illegible]

[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] night. [illegible]

Nais Thursday, Rodman at station

wi. [illegible] ~~Wednesday~~, September 17 poodle

Told him about Castle. Talk i

Bonnell & his wife going up to

London. Draft letters for Rhys to

Spacek & Hillier. Corrected

Blixen. Train crowded after

Sutton. W. draft letter to Ben a

about his bill for letter. Talk

Somerset about Price fixing

formulas. Dictated. Talk w/.

Ashley Dukes about pictures

and others. Met A. at

Embassy with her hair

cut and tidied up. She liked

black dress & V. agreed to

coat in a less dressy model.

Lunch with her at Claridges

[illegible]. Tel to Mr Davis

about [illegible] problems to [illegible]

Ashley. Signed letters corrected

Blixen. Met A. at Jaeger and

[illegible] arranging to take her

[illegible] for fitting. [illegible]

[illegible] of his going out with her

tonight. Home 6.18. Mr M. recommends

[illegible] for [illegible]. B. is trying to.

Cool grey Friday, morning. C + I to

[illegible] hair dr[illegible] ~~Thursday~~, September 18 together

letter from Marlyn S. Christopher I [illegible] by
through Eddie Marsh a piece on a
letter from Marlyn showing the E.R. [illegible]
E.M. showed it to Mr C. [illegible] showed it
to W.C. who was delighted. W. [illegible]
corrected Blue[illegible]. Bus [illegible] C. &
got [illegible] on to Piccadilly Circus
Read N.Y. letters & replied about
[illegible] pain. Fixed up other
Gazette & Pub. Circular.
[illegible] M. Dean asked her for des-
cription on A's clothes. Coat & skirt
25, Coat 20, dress 20. To A&N
for whisky & gin. Lunch Museum
Annex. Met Mona in shop opp.
G.O. where I'd been buying a shoe
knife for Mona & another for
Logan last time & Eunice. M. out
away on holiday. Mona bought
a little Russian [illegible] paper knife with
a Russian niello [illegible] as [illegible]
Finished Blue[illegible] proof. Met C.
on 6.18 train. Amelia in sedan
[illegible] carriage. John Matthias at
[illegible] two. Home in taxi w. Mrs.
[illegible]. Old Fashioned before dinner
& word puzzle after dinner

Coal gas running turning fine.
To store for money
Saturday, ~~Friday~~, September 19

and paid [illegible]. Arranged with Mr Wells to put street sweepings on our compost heap. Rained. Nowells pay £3.0.0. Told him to make a wide walk around root of elm tree in front of cottage. Showed C. Chubb new chicken run for his own chickens. Looked with him at part between his garden and Mrs Cross's where I am going to build wall. Picked Sunflower blossoms and [illegible] in yard. Down to [illegible] with [illegible] to get insurance stamps at P.O. and paid John Bell who happened to be there. Dalmas showed me the rest room for firemen with bunks and lounge easy chairs. After lunch talk J. Bidwell about the culvert etc. Worked all afternoon planting Juniper tree. A. then has [illegible] very [illegible]. After tea G. & I walked about place. Arranged for Mrs Sibley [illegible]

Told him about it after dinner. A. [illegible]

Rainy Sunday. Dry with strong

~~Saturday~~, September 20

S.W. wind. Breakfast wi.
B. 10.30 C. 3m. 1 h. almost
Picked weeds out of bed above
wall as usual. John Bird
came and we filled in form
of his insurance claim for
injury to hand. [illegible] Later in
day, copy of John O'London reading
Jan Struther's memoir of Jan
[illegible] she was called by her friends [illegible]
[illegible] Winter & Mrs [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] to my birthday
luncheon. Cake & candle. Dick
brought me a bottle of sherry & pot
of honey, little picture of [illegible] for
[illegible] A. pads of [illegible]
paper. Hung up my pictures [illegible]
[illegible] of W.C. [illegible]. C. gave me £2.
& [illegible] Christmas [illegible]
[illegible] T. B's insurance claim
[illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible]. C. would not go out because
of [illegible]. Picked up apples.
[illegible] Canadian [illegible]
[illegible] for drink at [illegible] stayed till
[illegible] we must go to bed at 9.30
[illegible] me by [illegible] to
[illegible] his [illegible]. C. [illegible]

Monday
~~Sunday~~, September 21

~~[15th Sunday after Trinity.~~

H. off on 7 o'c train in drizzle. Rain again when I walked to station but was well protected. Took up sheets to be re-printed. Kept [illegible] about three or 4 am. [illegible] W. draft letter to Harrison & Co. about John Byrds accident. Started to read Dean Inge on Eugenics. Found pictures of the Dean at [illegible] and such. [illegible] to [illegible] Harrison. Dictated letter to Ogden about [illegible] material [illegible]. Got spinach seed for Charles from the Stables. Then [illegible] worked on Book to proof. [illegible] of Managerial [illegible] in Horizontal. W. Cyril Connolly. Signed letters. 5.4 home. Met Mrs Williams and Evelyn 3 yrs old in train. Very pretty in the [illegible] English [illegible] type. Up to print changes and slept. Then back to Mrs Williams for. [illegible] to [illegible]. Gave Philippa a lift. Bed the children and Mrs ~~[illegible]~~ John at getting down to get me yellow [illegible] dinner with Eliza Long.

(Bread and [illegible] dinner [illegible])

Cool grey Tuesday [illegible] morning. 69 p.c.

~~Monday~~, September 22

in Wanstead and Murray in train
+ letter to Royal Insurance
Dictated + letters. Mr Simmonds
A. called up has been dis-
infected for Scabies. Master
Skinner called and we went
on to Claridges met Voight
and C. M. Young [illegible]
turned out to be my old
acquaintance. Mel-[illegible]
McGready. Pleasant luncheon
[illegible] + Voight came back
with me and Martin [illegible]
[illegible]. Gave me coffee & [illegible]
[illegible]. Called for Mr + Mrs
Miller and Freddie. Talk
Blackadder. Talk Clifford.
Tea Press, Beryl [illegible]
[illegible] Dora [illegible] Tea Clifford.
6.15 home. Cicely M. + her brother
[illegible] stuff cup at Piccadilly + we
came to [illegible], [illegible] brought me
home in his car. Mr Williams a.
[illegible] as for. After dinner [illegible]
[illegible].

~~Tuesday~~, September 23

Cool Wednesday, grey morning: bright: [illegible] sounds of [illegible] in Cottage. Humphrey at work on elm tree again in front Cottage [illegible]. Read Blixen in proof. C. & I to A's flat, found Christina at work there in [illegible] of [illegible] untidiness. C. & I pretty discouraged. In taxi to [illegible] House where C. found [illegible] & Tables. Later [illegible] lunch at [illegible]. Kitty [illegible]. Office, dictated etc. Lunch Garrick. Looked at photographs album for opera [illegible]. Got black-out stuff; worked on Shostakovich proof. Met C. 5.30 train. Read Tolkien proof. W. Anderson [illegible]. Gasp. Duchess of Norfolk [illegible] at local [illegible] Jack, [illegible] tax. C. & I [illegible] orange juice. Read Blixen after dinner. To bed [illegible]

Intermittent sunday, Cloud bursts.
To Sutton Wednesday, September 24 in
taxi. Cancelled Blake
in train. G & I shared taxi
to G. Wyndham. flat where
I left some books for her
and she went on to her
dentist. Call for. Mr Smith
with bottle of Spanish Vermouth.
I gave him a copy of Age
[illegible] Houses. Met A. at
Jacqmar's with her hair up
and looking a sight. Tried on
her coats & skirt, and over-
coats and dress. She took taxi
to go on; Angela was disconcerted
again for [illegible]. I joined G &
Nonks at Ivy for lunch.
Monica thinks Stalin and will
had. Back to office. Talk
West. Call for Miss Smith with
Met G. 6.15. Slater and [illegible]
talking. Mr. Mattias, Andersons &
Lewis Sp. P'boro. G 2. Jaffa Trade
cleared dinner. Accounts after

woke early: quite distracted
thinking of Africa's [illegible]

Friday
~~Thursday~~, September 25

Breakfast w. G. about ten o'c.
Tel. fr. Office Baroness Blixen
wants U.S.A. [illegible] our
copy: impossible. Told Miss C. to
cable to Haas. Took wicker chair
to [illegible] cellar. Talk Mrs S.
about [illegible] for herself &
Mrs Williams: she wants to drop
over part of Chicken yard. Spoke
to Humphreys & tel. to Pain.
Humphreys & I looked at [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Chesley & Mabel
[illegible]. After lunch picked
up apples. Cut off [illegible] of
[illegible] by [illegible]. Picked up
[illegible] [illegible] down [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] and [illegible] dust
[illegible] [illegible] & wiped. Told Jack
[illegible] to cut down hedge on
[illegible] corner of Chesley's garden.
Picked nasturtiums and gave [illegible]
back to [illegible] & Mrs G. [illegible] to
after tea picked corn and [illegible]
[illegible] dinner. [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible]

Saturday ~~Friday~~, September 26

up 8 o'c. Breakfast w. C. 9.30 Down to Square and got wages money and stamps and saw Mr Bacon about well behind Charley's garden and [illegible] Paid water. Saw Davis man about roofing felt but Charley thinks he can get corrugated iron for him. Dug up dandelion roots and C. [illegible] [illegible] down and gave them to pigs. To [illegible] ours. C. kept his [illegible] money. Asked Mr [illegible] about some [illegible]. Paid Mrs [illegible] money. Cut down branches of forsythia. Morris at work all morning cutting down Charley's [illegible] rough hedge. After lunch, dragged forsythia branches to yard. Jack [illegible] helped Morris on hedge. Aug + David helping with their wagon. Old iron and rusty bicycles in heap. Dug up more dandelion roots, fed pigs. A. came home and I got [illegible] for her. [illegible] the [illegible] for Sunday. C. [illegible] apples for children & Jack [illegible] [illegible]. Read [illegible] Madam. She [illegible] and liked it [illegible]. [illegible] chair cocktails. Talking A. after dinner [illegible]

Sunday, ~~Saturday~~, September 27

up late. G. [illegible] at breakfast [illegible] when I came down at 10.35. Had my bath in the bath room so as not to conflict w. A. Bath too short for my exercises. Got out letters, and filed them. Looked at papers. [illegible] good little [illegible]. Maisky and Litvinov – battle against England for not opening second front. B. + I to see Mrs. Sibley, [illegible]. [illegible]. A. came down in [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible], and played [illegible] [illegible]. Very pleasant [illegible]. A. + I walk to Black Down to [illegible] the battle. After lunch got out old Bartholomew maps to see best way for A to get to [illegible] also got out [illegible] and chopped for [illegible]. Picked nasturtiums. Children dressed up for a wedding procession. Picked apples. Rabbit pie tea. Got out cat basket & took [illegible] away. Read papers. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] second front. Drinks before dinner. Talk A. + C.

Monday ~~Sunday~~, September 28

[~~16th Sunday after Trinity.~~

Spoke to Charley about grubbing out [illegible] had along his boundary. Says Bacon is increasing difficulty. Took bundle of [illegible] bottles [illegible] keep it ready to bring back deposit for Bacon. W. Martyn's re [illegible] about his aunt [illegible]. Heavy post at office & many changes to be done. Dictated and cleared off a lot of letters. W. Benjamin & Blaine about opera [illegible]. [illegible] Garrick [illegible] wants help about displaying [illegible] Caravan. Tried to [illegible] W. got someone at Woolwich to help about getting rid of Mr Sibley. [illegible]. Signed letters. To Victoria in rain. Home 6.30. Couldn't read much. [illegible] became light [illegible] change. [illegible]. [illegible]. Walked home to get [illegible]. Looked at Charley's boundary where they had done some grubbing. [illegible] dinner. C's cold better.

Raining Tuesday, morning. Told
[illegible] met [illegible] that
[illegible] going all
[illegible] so that [illegible] people
[illegible] prepare [illegible]

~~Monday~~, September 29

[QUARTER DAY.

[FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

Mrs Williams drove to [illegible] to [illegible]
and asked if I had a taxi. I said
always walked but another time
she could order a taxi in advance & I
would pay. But evidently she still
had a taxi and I think I shall
run but at station. I kept away
my dining out. Read Blix
proofs in the train. Dictated Miss C.
Task of Somerset. Call fr. Makai
ov. Sholokhov pretext.
Mash appointment nos. Offer
Peter Davies to Canadian dentist
Lunch Olcroft w. A. She
wore her Chanel coat &
skirt but a tumbled shirt.
and her hair was pretentiously
screwed up on the top of her
head and she is so [illegible] pretty
past her age [illegible]. Anyhow
she did not like my comments
in appeals. Told any [illegible]

[illegible] rainy morning. To station
w. C. Wednesday, is [illegible] & up to

~~Tuesday~~, September 30

[illegible]. I'm
[illegible], Miss Sibley next to
[illegible] and my [illegible] has got a job.
W. Cousin Georgie & Catherine
Dr. 1st A's flat while Christina
at work. I took away [illegible] di
medici picture. C. stayed and told
me afterward of a [illegible] trouble
[illegible] also. Angela [illegible] arrived
[illegible] A. Calif. Buchan & gave her
copy for S.A.T.'s [illegible].
H. Miller at office w. bad cold.
Met Cal & orchestra and we had
lunch w. [illegible]. R. is [illegible]
about post war settlements. Talked
all the time. He is a great
Arch bishop, interested in
business and politics. Came
[illegible] w. C. and she said better
if she died than living life the
black [illegible]. Talked [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible], [illegible]
at C. Victoria & them [illegible]
till [illegible]. C. in despair about
a flat. Rather she were dead.
[illegible] [illegible] to cheer her up.
[illegible] to [illegible] mosaic [illegible]

Thursday, ~~Wednesday~~, October 1

[PHEASANT SHOOTING BEGINS.

Mrs Sib[illegible] has got a job as kitchen-maid at Watkins & Sears today. Pleasant but rather an uphill morning. Letter for Quincy Wellesley helping [illegible] Extra [illegible] in train. W. draft letter to Mr Ogden, [illegible] seem to have catarrh symptoms possibly presaging a cold. Took [illegible] to the office & [illegible] talk with Mr West about Va St. Mr West was attacked by an American soldier in Regent street and had his head badly cut. Met A. at Embassy and went for last letter to Jacqueline. She looked better but hair still [illegible] and hapless. She seemed in good spirits and I think she will keep her hair permanently waved. Lunch with her at [illegible] [illegible] home [illegible]. We could not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ducklings. [illegible] 2 [illegible]

Started [illegible]

A [illegible]

First frost Friday last night. Lovely
sunny ~~Thursday~~, October 2 morning.
G. & I up to London together. Finished
letter to Charley re W. A.
advising against taking up.
Taxi with G. to Berkeley St. where we
saw Duke of Devonshire in a bowler hat
looking very dissipated. 35 [illegible]
Long talk [illegible] about [illegible]
ex-[illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]. He brought
a [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] home by Maisky lunch and [illegible]
G. at Embassy 1 o'c. I then spent 15
mins at [illegible] in Park while G.
waited in K. Palace Gdns. Guests: [illegible]
Mr & Mrs Maisky, Mr & Mrs Eden, Mr & Mrs
Winant, Sir H. & Lady Wood, Admiralty
[illegible], Belgian & Turkish [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], Oliver Lyttelton, Mr & Mrs
[illegible] about 20. G. & I. & G. sat between
[illegible] & Winant. Lady H. drove
us back to [illegible] Rd. Talk
went about Ehrenburg's Fall of
Paris that Maisky thought I was
publishing. Tea with [illegible] [illegible]
in his flat. Told [illegible] about
Fall of Paris. Met [illegible] [illegible]
in Ch. & Rd. Home with G. 5.15
train. Soldier in Ry carriage. gave f 4.
week pay. Mr [illegible] at [illegible]

⊙ up Saturday, late. Breakfast 10.

~~Friday~~, October 3

To square for money. Paid men
C. in difficulty re. Kitty grumpy
and looked at his watch at 11.1
Nat came to work on the garden
I worked on little wall & drain
building to hold up soil under
old forsythia bushes. Down
to village and got bags (coals)
and soda water siphons.
After lunch fitted [illegible] on tin
little cross pieces to try to make
mosaic top first but decided
I must get cement to do
it. Then C. went up to rest &
I went back. Dug well
worked all afternoon on it. A.
arrived from London. She has
not had her hair permanently
waved but she never lets it [illegible]
down. C. came out and joined
us, and then we all went in
to tea. Talked and then I went
to rest for ½ hr. in bed. Drink
before dinner. After dinner probably
accounts with Kitty [illegible]
[illegible]

Breakfast about ten o'clock. A.
W[illegible] and

Sunday
~~Saturday~~, October 4

decided [illegible] to church [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] looking very nice in a [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Mary King [illegible]
which she [illegible] off [illegible] and
has [illegible] been [illegible] [illegible]
going skating in [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ in [illegible]. I told her to think
~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] instead of [illegible]
[illegible] by [illegible] or [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] C. [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] when we should be [illegible].
C. [illegible] [illegible] as she [illegible]
[illegible] of being buried alive. Nellie
[illegible] [illegible] to be buried at
[illegible] but I certainly do not
want my ashes [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] I should like my [illegible]
[illegible]. Picked up apples. Margaretta
[illegible] another dinner. [illegible] + [illegible]
[illegible] - old fashioned. Fannie
[illegible] Nannie [illegible] take [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] Mrs Margaretta [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Picked
up more apples. C. [illegible]
deliberately. Tried to [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible]. Tea. Sat and [illegible] letters

A. off by 7 o'c train. Went into her room to put away her tooth paste & brush [illegible] in order that [illegible] the [illegible]

Monday

~~Sunday~~, October 5

[SUMMER TIME ENDS.
Set Clocks Back.

~~[17th Sunday after Trinity.~~

[illegible] up. Spoke to [illegible] [illegible] alteration of C's flower-garden. Spoke to Mrs Saunders about [illegible] in [illegible]. Spoke to [illegible] about [illegible] and about [illegible] and about getting Chapel boundary ready for starting [illegible]. Took up one of [illegible] for [illegible]. [illegible] Mrs [illegible] [illegible] about Church & public affairs. [illegible] Petrol [illegible] Electric Co. [illegible] Put [illegible] Murphy [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ of letter [illegible] de Valera. Tel. fr. [illegible] about Ramsay [illegible] Clan. [illegible] Munro [illegible]. [illegible] over telephone with Russian News Agency about Ehrenburg's Fall of Paris. W. draft of letter to [illegible]. Home 5.20 p. [illegible] Mr & Mrs Anderson. She had been to the film "Gone with the Wind" at [illegible]. [illegible] to have dinner earlier. [illegible] about 7.30. After dinner [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Cold N. Tuesday, Wind. Almost
dark at ~~Monday~~, October 6 7 o'c.
[illegible] Nunnell & Tell Humphrey
about old engine chimney to
be taken down for storm. Worked
on [illegible] on [illegible] a/c for
insurance reckoning up this
payments for year. To bus & off.
Long talk with Milner about
accounts. He [illegible] ill and
was always [illegible] into his
[illegible] [illegible]. Discussed
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] went and
[illegible] our [illegible] books.
W. [illegible] [illegible] office, said
Mrs Sibley. Got off letter
and affidavit to [illegible]
[illegible] Theo. [illegible] Lighton
[illegible] [illegible]. Got to office.
[illegible] at Bill & Crayton.
Long talk with [illegible] B. G. T.
He does not think [illegible]
was taken [illegible] any [illegible]
[illegible]. W. [illegible] about [illegible]
[illegible] 5.20 [illegible] away at [illegible]
7 [illegible] to Dennis [illegible]
[illegible], no [illegible]. [illegible]

Misty Wednesday, warm morning

[illegible] 5 ~~Tuesday~~, October 7 Chat[illegible]
about pigs and something which
changed at [illegible] board and has
[illegible] Violet [illegible] with
whom I talked all the way
to Victoria. To office and
saw A's Frances Hodgkins
sketch pictures, and her Rural
Churches a [illegible] says that much
[illegible] nothing. Office dictating.
Met him at Churchill got
his have of permanently [illegible]
at English Artists and
[illegible] Cartwheels
needs a collar. Saw Sir
H. Wood and Sir Roberts says
[illegible] suffers tortures from
[illegible]. Stopped at [illegible]
[illegible] Tea at [illegible]
[illegible] Heard [illegible] from [illegible]
Glanced at a declined MSS. Home 5.30
Clive Morley came into my carriage &
we talked all the way to [illegible]. T.1. for Taylor
[illegible]. Home in rain. [illegible]

Another Thursday, damp mild day
wi. drizzly rain ~~Wednesday~~, October 8
up late & wore new clothes. Din
at station wi. C. & Mrs [illegible]
Throat no worse. W. cheque for A's
permanent wave. Mrs. [illegible]
Came bit about pig 'find'.
Read letter from Jimmie
C. & Mrs Austin dropped me at
Marble Arch. Studied. McC.
To lunch at Pastoria with
Lilian Marguerite & C. &
went wi C. to Lancaster
Corner to pictures at Leicester
galleries. Pictures nice
[illegible] but I don't care
for his subjects. Lay
with Mr Smeeth. Sleep
[illegible] across and up
from Chestnuts. Signed letter
Met C. Victoria 9.18. Light 50
piece to read. Did not have [illegible]
[illegible]. Read papers. Packed with
[illegible] wi antiphlogistine. Bed
late

Apples — hot water 7.30 — back [illegible] to bed at

Friday,
~~Thursday~~, October 9

9.30 Cool sunny morning, I brought another Green Bottle. Papers tell proposed retaliation on German prisoners for shackling British prisoners. Great mistake to emulate German camps and barbarism. Put up Air Raid Warden plate. Packed away new Tappa [illegible] W.P.C. & A: [illegible] for samples of coat [illegible] to [illegible]. Talk Humphrey about taking bricks out of old stable manger. [illegible] at Chapel [illegible] and [illegible] After lunch put away spare bottle [illegible] & [illegible] / set up [illegible] in Mrs Williams room. [illegible] with fingers [illegible]. To bed and slept from about 3 to 5.45. Tea but nothing to eat. Cold [illegible] to be getting [illegible]. Read papers. Dressed for dinner. Read more papers & started Times to [illegible]. [illegible] Read

up at 9 o'c. Card not
well yet, but I don't think

Saturday, ~~Friday~~, October 10

any worse. G + I breakfast 10 o'c.
Drove to Spears and got money
& stamps in rain but I was
well protected. Paid one. Talk
C. Humphrey about Chapel wall.
Put clean cloth in Giulio's box
and washed dining [illegible]. John
came back because I had put 10/
too little in his envelope. Found
that an old style pound note had
confused me. After lunch stamped
cards. C. showed me another flue
shut to make oven for A. I
rested 3–5 in bed. After tea
walked to see Mr Mathe about
chapel boundary. Met him & Mr
Martin having their walk. He told
me more of Dorothy's burglary
and her husband's illness!
Called Mrs Jackson. Soda + beer.
[illegible] all old-fashioned. Before dinner
70°C, and dinner 7:30. A. [illegible]
3 in [illegible] [illegible]. Pickles for her cups. Chutney
after dinner and papers. My
[illegible] burst. Hope it will heal now.
Read letters to M. [illegible]. C. at [illegible]

Lovely Sunday. Cool autumn day

Breakfast ~~Saturday~~, October 11 9:45

Wound clocks. G. [illegible] got [illegible]
up in dining room & made mess
on floor. Wound clocks. G. & I
walk thro' castle yard and
up to Pepper Pot. Mr Martin
called & I gave him a glass
of sherry & he looked at Chapel
boundary. He says maps show
a straight line cutting off a
piece of Chapel garden. G. & I
looked at Mr [illegible] agreement and he
agreed to leave it to me to build
retaining wall. After lunch, made
dug dahlias with Charles and
fed them to pigs. Rested in bed for
two hours but did not sleep
up for tea. Talked to Charles
about work to be done. 1
old fashioned before dinner.
After dinner, Mrs [illegible] brother
and sister-in-law came to say
goodbye. She is coming to [illegible]
to take care of animals. W.
[illegible] letter to [illegible] about
[illegible]. Stored the [illegible] in end

Woke a Monday, good deal and

~~Sunday~~, October 12

slept [illegible] lightly as I have slept so much this last day. Still [illegible] symptoms in my throat. Cold grey day. Started letters [illegible] in train. Straight to [illegible] Diamond's [illegible] [illegible]. Seems an intelligent [illegible] sort of Canadian [illegible] his article, 12 o'c [illegible]. James MacGibbon [illegible] in [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] influence. [illegible] [illegible]. Talk [illegible] Douglas. Walked away with Willard Connolly. No sponge at Burgess. Talk with Mr. Wint. Winter wants £5000 [illegible] fees for his new [illegible] of [illegible] offices as [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 10 [illegible] [illegible] left [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Chichester. 5.30 home. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dinner listened to P.M.'s speech

~~[18th Sunday after Trinity.~~

[illegible] [illegible] Tuesday, to get [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. ~~Monday~~, October 13 walked to
station with [illegible] [illegible] G. &
up together. Mr. Mead [illegible]
Worked on S.A.T.s stock broad
side circular. Dictating.
Met A. & C. & Moores Viking.
C. placed m. A's hair & then
tied it up. But she offended A.
by speaking of fog in [illegible] and
then A. [illegible] her leg [illegible]
[illegible] into tears and walked
out. A followed and brought
her back but [illegible]
spoiled. Met Chris. [illegible]
[illegible] at bus stop on
Piccadilly. She wore [illegible]
spectacles and looked very !
common, but [illegible] [illegible]
Back to office dictating
talk. Went along Dow & [illegible]
stock. Met C. & home 5.30. [illegible]
dinner [illegible] C. announced that she
was going to leave A. & me and go
to [illegible]. She felt a [illegible]
do not care for us and thought
we did not care for her.
[illegible]

C. [illegible] Wednesday and changing

~~Tuesday~~, October 14

Damp grey morning
but [illegible]
Read + answered letters to
Martha all the way to [illegible]
weather gloomy again. Called
at [illegible] County and found
[illegible] qui om neglige and [illegible]
a [illegible] [illegible] out of a [illegible],
C. [illegible] and returned [illegible]
[illegible] proof. Talk M. [illegible]
about Ellen [illegible]. Talk [illegible]
+ W. to Zinckow of the [illegible]
[illegible] on Quick. Talk [illegible].
Called Jones about plating order.
N. [illegible] again, D. [illegible] decided
left [illegible]. Was [illegible]
[illegible] St., he is in Navy.
Jacobson + ordered clock. To
[illegible] Corner — got [illegible] for C.
Signed letters. Checked [illegible]
[illegible]. 5.30 Home. [illegible]
[illegible] for dinner. She had been to
visit [illegible] Navy [illegible] C. [illegible]
yesterday A.M. [illegible] families
C. feeling better and [illegible]
[illegible] afternoon at her [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, October 15

Drizzling early in morning, turned
sunny [illegible] in train. Cable
from M-in-law. Anna Brosshum
ended. Times yesterday announcing
death of Sir [illegible] Noble w. letter
to Lady C. Crichton Stuart.
Dictated. Applicant for Nie
Smith's post. Came to see me
re [illegible] offr. Arch & Comm.
Met A. at Am. Embassy
and to Tavern's. Saw
Mr Dean but [illegible]
Left blue coat to have collar
[illegible] to Carnie Camp
Looked at present for Lucy
Saw large [illegible] W. & [illegible]
son drinks at Sherman
Tavern. Looked at Tapestries
[illegible] Cow & Hollis
Left [illegible] coat Anderson.
Signed letters & dictated
Drove to 5.30 train home.
E. P. [illegible] Anderson & Phillips.
Read Mercury at [illegible] home. After
dinner Read Mercury. Remembered [illegible]

Called [illegible] Friday, Clerk writing

Taylor ~~Thursday~~, October 16 [illegible] C.
Nannie, Mrs [illegible], Mrs Phillips,
Bessie, + Amy at Station to meet
Nannie; C. 1 bus; Jones
Comm says C. O. has up
[illegible] & is worth
£20. Found chain - [illegible] to
lift it as pendant. took
steps for A. [illegible] 12. office
at 10. [illegible] in office
him to come to [illegible] next
Thursday. West has cable
[illegible] April.
of clock Jacob on list.
put them on 20 took it
back. Lunch [illegible] Bee
[illegible]. Got wife's book.
[illegible] S.A.T.
signed letters and worked at
files. Met C. at Victoria on
5.30 train. [illegible] P'boro [illegible]
says his wife's [illegible]
[illegible] Women's
[illegible] West
[illegible] before dinner. C. had [illegible]

U

up Early Saturday, Mild sunshine
Autumn ~~Friday~~, October 17 day with
sun in and out. Down to
village to get money and stamps
and asked Buster about Chapel
boundary. Their solicitor consents
to straight line. Tel. Ellenay and
Coul. Paid men and fed
Humphrey to start chapel wall.
Mrs. Williams has taken Rita to
Bangor, optician. Charley picking
apples. Put away crock and
put down sign: "Keep Jenny" Paid
[illegible] & left money at Beasts. Lunch
[illegible] [illegible] B. with back stairs
village gossip. After, filled & sallied
with fire. Pruned half dead cypress
and [illegible] flowering apple tree.
Talk Peggy Malegiotti about fire
Sunday. To bed and sorted out
some diary till teatime. A. arrived
from Cardiff in heavy cold & tired
head up. After tea looked at
tangerine brooch pendant and
big [illegible]. Old fashioned. Before dinner
[illegible] and [illegible] de [illegible]. Gave B.

Up late Sunday Cooler and duller

[illegible] — no ~~Saturday~~, October 18 wind or

rain. Looked at materials
for shirts for A. Ironed clean
slips [illegible] and made chest of [illegible]
[illegible]. Took Mrs Milligan some
for Sunday. [illegible] of Mrs S[illegible]
Mrs M. says she is hardly a [illegible]
[illegible] attendant. Spoke to
Mrs Scarland and Mrs John — chiefly
about calling. Met Mrs Percy and
told her about Dukes of Northumberland
and Petworth. Told Mrs Percy how
much I was admiring her arrangement
of wild flowers, like Constance
Spry. Called on Major Crickmer
about his [illegible] garden work —
gave him a [illegible] of sherry. After
lunch spent afternoon fixing up
gutter [illegible] a [illegible] so that I
can leave my plate with dentist
today to be repaired. Out with C.
and worked on new line to make
her border broader. Back for tea
and out again till dark. Cooking
and [illegible] Mrs Scarland [illegible]. After
dinner A. back to London. She [illegible]
[illegible] patterns for shirts. Read Milton

[illegible]
out to Monday, [illegible] of putting
and working [illegible] ~~Sunday~~, October 19 for it a
moments or so. Misty mild morning.
W. M-ai. Lunch in town. ~~[19th Sunday after Trinity.~~
Took B's silver [illegible] pieces on
sale to get [illegible] the [illegible]. Re-
turned [illegible] and left [illegible]
brooch pendant to be repaired.
Austrian Jensen applied for
position but doesn't know enough
English. Talk West about Nor-
wegian prize novel & Oldbourne
Tel. Al all right. Dictated. To
Ogden dentist. The cutting is
the best I have had so far
for upper teeth. Decided to have
all [illegible] in upper extracted.
Left [illegible] and [illegible] away
[illegible] gutta percha. [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] sandwich
[illegible]. Cut [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible]. Dictated. Sorted
[illegible]. To Ogden & got
[illegible] plate. Nurse caught
[illegible] for Combes for A.
[illegible] home. Finished [illegible]

Up early Tuesday, Worked on his
[illegible] ~~Monday~~, October 20 border.
Tried to hurry to station.
Q. missed her ticket. Read a
sealed letter to M-in-law. A
good deal about Q's mention.
Filled in John Reed's insurance
report on letter to week old
after his accident. In
taxi [illegible]. Q. & Steph's Page Com-
[illegible] chipper & cider. Warned
about Lansbury's E. Women's
price too high! Settled to [illegible] in
proof. Mrs C.A. got Embassy. [illegible]
[illegible] joined C. at Jaeger & settled
on coat and new hat for
slight alteration. C. upset by
A's untidy hair and [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]. G. to lunch with
[illegible]. A. & I. looked at
[illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] type
[illegible] lace. [illegible] got for A. a
21st birthday. Office after brief
lunch [illegible]. Signed letters
[illegible] to Dr Nodin who took out
[illegible] last tooth and chipped bone [illegible]!
[illegible] visitors [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday

~~Tuesday~~, October 21

G. [illegible] letter fr. J. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] A. to stay. Cook, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Letter fr. Lady Colum. Charlie's a captain; wrote to him [illegible] to ask him if he had received my [illegible]; W. S. & E. Buff about his 5 mts broad cast. To [illegible] [illegible] and got the [illegible] [illegible] — the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]; offered. Told A. about Lady V. [illegible] [illegible] & asked her to lunch [illegible] today. Call fr. Butler [illegible]. Tel. fr. Dr Nolan to see if [illegible] alive. Talk Mr Vint about his [illegible] speech & [illegible]. He has great [illegible] pain & swelling [illegible] due to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] w. A. [illegible] [illegible]. To lunch at [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] office. W. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. D. Cassidy [illegible] to her [illegible] [illegible] 3. Broad Cast for 5 mts at [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Evening to [illegible] as

Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, October 22

[illegible] [illegible] station
[illegible] on [illegible], letter to Marty.
Dr Murphy joined me at Dobb's
and we talked about
his book; Office [illegible]. Mr
A [illegible] in Bond Street. She
thinks she might get her [illegible]
[illegible] in Bond Street for
Nannie's birthday. She was [illegible]
lunch with [illegible]. [illegible]
happened a [illegible]
[illegible] Rachel [illegible]
[illegible]; Talk Mr [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Tel. Tappin & made appointment
with him for 4.45 but
when I got there he was engaged
and said I was for 5.15. He [illegible]
[illegible]. Mr T [illegible] backed down
I said I could not wait and left
in a rage. It is no [illegible] to
[illegible] anything. Back
to AWC and A. Talk on his sister
[illegible] in [illegible]. Visit of V. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] together. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Midgrey Friday, ~~m~~ morning. Cecily

~~Thursday~~, October 23

at station. Letter fr.
Peggy Margiotta about boy cousin
next on [illegible] letter of Marty
S. Called Mr Nodeen who
was pleased with the glass
and took [illegible] 8 sketches.
Office dictated. Tel. to
Margiotta cousin. Tel.
fr. Miller about Ang[illegible]
Called Dennis Coover but no
news of past necklace.
Called Mr Pelli. Has said
amber [illegible]. Lunch Ath.
Hair cut Burgess and
talked about Church
matters. Looked for Brazilian
offering 3 [illegible]. [illegible]
Ohio O. Office signed letters
Home 5.30. Went for [illegible].
letter to Marty in train.
Dr. [illegible] Anderson & Dennis fr.
K. food. Legion [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Nat [illegible].
[illegible]. After dinner [illegible]. [illegible].

up late. Saturday, Sunny day.

~~Friday~~, October 24

To [illegible] Sav-
ings [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]. Says he can get re-
cement. Got stamps + papers
[illegible]. Paid coal. Put new
[illegible] [illegible] fixed for coffee
spout. Talk: Cherry [illegible]
people in. Said [illegible] four days
well. Cut out Jerry chairs
for 2. Chicken [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] for Mr. Schelling. After-
noon [illegible] [illegible] Bush. [illegible]
and [illegible] eager and street. Filled
[illegible] box with [illegible]
picked apples in N.W. corner
[illegible] tea on [illegible]
for [illegible] + finished it in
[illegible] for dinner. A. arrived
bringing Phil + Angel and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for
Nancy's birthday. Papa is
doing [illegible]. [illegible] Nancy is
[illegible]. Emmet + boy David Bill
[illegible] 5 1 [illegible] in [illegible]-room.
Talk. Read Times. Dressed. Made
drinks - old fashioned. After dinner.
young sat in N. room. Read papers.

Sunday.
~~Saturday~~, October 25

Woke early. Worried over letter to Martyn about his new poem, and letter to D. D. Macmillan about Hutcheson who is probably not the man I meant. Cold day showers and sun. Kept fire, wound clocks and built fire in N. Room. Sat in shawl till getting warm & went over it. Letter to Martyn. Started out for walk w. C. between showers. First met Budd and asked him about brick & stone from bombed house. Then Peggy Margiotti asked me for Cousin Victor Jones. Sent them in to dinner w. others (I had forgotten to tell Mrs Scarland) C. & I then walked along Dixon and brought back apples in rocker chair. Talk w. Oliver & offered him position, via Stacy Welsh. Dug dandelions for Peggy. Turned bed in wind & rain. Cousin had 2 10/- notes that I put in packets to pay his. Tea. Cocktails.

young people could not get Taylor, his getting

Hard rain Monday, TO Notes in my diary
out. V. Warm ~~Sunday,~~ October 26 bringing
foggy and rain in, gave me a left
Finished letter to ~~20th Sunday after Trinity.~~
Martyn S. Mrs Murphy here
Bus. Miss Stapleton at [illegible] A.M.
Miss Mead P.M. Very cold.
5 Visited Mrs C. W. [illegible]
A. leg & keeps her flat & out her
in. Lady V. To Garrick in pouring
rain for lunch. Fred Clark up
about Gerry. Talk Wet about
his dinner. I worked on jacket for
Dan Adams home. Still [illegible]
after I went home. 5:30 p.m.
V. electric. Slept in train to [illegible]
on fr. Polo match in [illegible]
Phillips. My [illegible]
queer thing and new [illegible]
which I got again. Matter of in-
went with patching. The good
hand of all my [illegible] tells
acting out again under pressure
[illegible] quite fine the cover part
fed as! Very painful at dinner,
things advanced [illegible] not un-
successful. Read Mercy after
dinner. Bed 11 o'C.

Terribly Tuesday, [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. ~~Monday~~, October 27 [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]. Spoke to [illegible] at
breakfast. Went to [illegible]
[illegible] + [illegible]. [illegible] Mary [illegible]
[illegible] enough. Told him to
get very [illegible] [illegible]
Rain stopped on way to station.
W. Horatia + Rugal [illegible]
to Dr. Ogden who made my
lower [illegible] complete which
the gold was [illegible] gum. Not
[illegible] to make one only
for a [illegible] the office.
Lunch Garrick Walton. Pity
as Public [illegible] [illegible]
should be machinery [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]. [illegible]
genius and human. Call from
[illegible] for a position.
Don't think she would be satisfied
with our [illegible] job.
Frank Pollinger [illegible]
[illegible] by cable [illegible]
Cast [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] 5-30. Got [illegible]
[illegible] back to [illegible].

Wednesday, ~~Tuesday~~, October 28

Slept in dressing gown but still [illegible] undressed and slept only lightly. G. & I up to London [illegible] A's typewriter for Victor Jones. W. [illegible] [illegible] now in Cairo. He sent on an [illegible] to W. Mrs. Simpson [illegible] as the death of his husband in office [illegible] Chequers. Taxi to Quick Church. Met [illegible] funeral 9/12. Simpson & [illegible] [illegible]. Back to office. Mrs [illegible] [illegible] Little Stores. To Claridges where I found A. in her old [illegible] tweed. G. had called her up and asked what she was reading & was [illegible] and A was nearly in tears at the lunch. Caught a glimpse of Mrs Roosevelt in the lift [illegible] hat. Joined by G. & Lewis. Back to office. Fixed passport for [illegible] by Dr. [illegible]. [illegible] G. nearly missed 6.15. Does not get taxi in rain. Bill [illegible] [illegible] out after train had started. Left case in London to be sent [illegible] A [illegible] [illegible] anxious [illegible] [illegible]

Woke at 6.30 and took
Thursday,
~~Wednesday~~, October 29
8.34 train so as to be in time for dentist at 10.45: London Bridge 10.1[illegible]. Got under treat- at 10.40. Went on [illegible] letter to Rita that I started in train. Left my lower teeth with him. Office. Cancelled room at Victoria for Tuesday. Cut [illegible] to go to dinner to [illegible]. Called up A. and she was at her dressmaker. Dictated. To Waterloo but my [illegible] had not been turned up. Evening [illegible] and blancmange [illegible] could arrange without teeth. Back to office. Called Victor Jones [illegible] Mead [illegible]. I had his [illegible] [illegible]. To dictate [illegible] got letter[illegible] Posted for [illegible] Phillips. [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]. At [illegible] [illegible]

C. & I   Friday, breakfast 9.
Tel, Ella ~~Thursday~~, October 30 Tel
Tom drove about fuel. Looked
at stock of coal. Ch. & M. 5
walk on downs. Cleared out
cellar of cottage - various lumber
and junk. Talk [illegible]
Cut corn stalks for pigs. Brought
last of ears of corn to Mrs S.
for chickens. Heather Calder
called Marguerite up, but she
was out - not back till one o'c.
After lunch Took C. & M. round
stables to see any stone walls etc.
Cut rest of corn and took it
down to pigs. Picked up apples
and some chestnuts. Checked up
Tom drove and asked him
to luncheon ~~tomorrow~~.
Tea and talk C. L. & M.
Bath & exercises. After dinner
listening to radio in N. room
C. with joined us. Talk. Girls to
bed & read more letters to Holyoke

up late Saturday, ~~Friday~~, October 31 Breakfast
10 o'c. Tel fr. Ellery
about fuel. Down to Square
for money and stamps.
Paid men. L. & M. with
children. Then C. & L. & M.
down to square. C. got fur
[illegible] & I got her Black
[illegible]. Stopped at Mr
Calder [illegible]. Mark [illegible]
occupant of our [illegible]
horses. Call fr. Tom [illegible]
fuel contract, took him
over place. He stayed to
lunch and talked about
Ruskin & [illegible]. Ann
Mr Crabb — out-door
[illegible]. Stamped Ins.
Cards. Walk to village & back
[illegible]. A. arrived [illegible]
[illegible] accounts paid bills.
Bath. Old fashioned. Dinner
M. [illegible] [illegible], Talk after

Answers. A's hair [illegible]

Sunday ~~Saturday~~, November 1

Breakfast 10 o'C. Wound clocks. Hard rain all day. To Church 8 & 1 with L. & M. Evelyn came back with [illegible] and I gave them all sherry & luncheon without Nanni. E. has left her away from [illegible] girls [illegible]. After lunch put away [illegible] [illegible]. Gave Lottie [illegible] [illegible] for the Scott. Picked up the [illegible] of [illegible] and gave them in a newspaper parcel to [illegible] [illegible] who had come [illegible] for Sunday to take them. Filled [illegible] with fresh earth. Made list of Oct. extra expenses. Tea. Started [illegible] detective account. Bath & ex. Cocktails. After dinner [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Finished [illegible] [illegible]

Cold + Monday, misty morning
~~Sunday~~, November 2
sun brightening
out. A. left on 8 o'c train
water for baths cold afternoon
~~[21st Sunday after Trinity.~~
10. draft letter A/Secy
insurance about John Bull.
To Jackson about clock
To Cameo Corner about
C's broken silver watch
part necklace. Office.
Long tel. fr. [illegible]. Call
fr. Bickerdike. Read free
rev. of Mandragora in Nature.
Read long letter fr. Martyn.
Lunch Museum Tavern.
Signed letters etc. Home 5-30
Slept. Read headlines of papers
which is all I can do with bad
light and strained eyes. Bob Hogarth
at D'[illegible]. Americans seem to be
winning in Solomons. Dinner. dear
girls 3.. Tapps + Castle kept us
busy. Put away papers etc.
Bed early.

Cool Tuesday, grey morning.

~~Monday~~, November 3

FOX HUNTING BEGINS.

Wore best [illegible] what I [illegible] arrangement to get A. at C's apartment & Chopin's [illegible] train & started letter to Mr. [illegible]. Office spent a long time [illegible] to talk with Gillespie who is interested in American [illegible] German Bacteriological Warfare. Recommended the plan [illegible] letter to N.Y. Lunch A. Claridges. Talked to Cabo. Council. Saw Mrs Randolph Churchill with red hair. Back to office. Called [illegible] Cartier about platinum necklace. Dictated with C. Talk Somervell who thinks prospects are keeping up, but I am [illegible] at [illegible]. Home 5.30 [illegible] in carriage but got into [illegible] coach at [illegible] & found it [illegible] went on us. Letter to [illegible]. Met [illegible] A. at [illegible]. Andrew [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Spoke Wednesday to Charley at
breakfast ~~Tuesday~~, November 4. Paid him
for gratuity to Peters for his copying
spree of high times. Continued
letter to M-n. Lunch in train. Office
talk Mrs W. Best about Helen's flat
opening last night when
Hitchcock himself was a
complete flop but Harry
and Beefsteak were good.
Tel. for Bert Bacon & other
[illegible]. Lunched [illegible] at
Arts Club. Office sketch
w. Cousins. Signed letters
from 5.30. Late evening to-
day. On ft. P[illegible] his
Atkinson as usual.
C. had had a good day.
Quilts had left the morning
after a very successful
visit. Next letter welcome
Alice Buxton arrived.
American election: showing
American gains. After dinner
talk C. Copied my diet account

[illegible] in [illegible] of [illegible]
Up 6.30 Thursday, [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]

Wednesday, November 5

Church for applicants [illegible] of applicants.
C. & I up together. Changed fountain pen, I [illegible] Bridge & got [illegible] £1.10.15. C. & [illegible] went to [illegible] & found very much better than I supposed in [illegible] but so bad that I stopped at Smiths where I repaired & found it unrepairable so ordered another for 35/- To Jacobson & ordered old fashioned travelling clock for £7.10.0. Left C. & went at [illegible] [illegible] to be re-[illegible]. Dictated etc. Lunch Martin Stevens Prescott. Call fr. Mr [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]. Signed letters etc. Met C. at 6.20 She had lunch w: [illegible], Prince R., Eric [illegible], Lady V. Astor, Lady Colquhoun. Old Fashioned! After dinner, broadcast of [illegible] [illegible].

Friday ~~Thursday~~, November 6

stayed at Amherst. Cold & bright. Tel. Parr for sieve for earth for Grellis box. Tel. Sheraton to enquire. Looked at Chapel wall and Newell's lamps. G. & I looked at apple room and walk to [illegible] Mrs William & her sister & Evelyn left till Sunday and A. seemed [illegible] an [illegible]. I suggested that Nannie should help her children. Cut out carpet for A. and lamp shade for kitchen for studio. After lunch, cleaned collar of blue coat. Tel. Ellery about Kirk & Tomdrew's visit. Tacked up curtain in N. room for Woodward. Looked at [illegible] waxing & spirit. To bed but kept awake by ice cold feet. After tea worked on kitchen lamp & lamp shade going out to studio with torch. Dinner raspberry sauce with raspberries I got at Crabtree Tea shop. To studio again & painted kitchen lamp. Ernie Smith called up about gas range for her canteen. Made out [illegible] envelopes. Bed late.

Rainy Saturday day. Drove to
Sydney ~~Friday~~, November 7 – got
money and stamps & paid Mrs
C. & I up to London 10.20 Read
Websters in train. To A. & N.
and got whiskey & gin, left
them at A&N. Cashed cheque. Met
[illegible] Einstein, Steven Leslie &
Roger Powell at Smith but could not
stop to talk since they passed.
Taxi to Claridge's Causerie &
lunch with C. & A. A. home to
change etc. C. & I to Noel Coward's
film "In which we Serve". Very
true and moving story of a ship
& the men and the women at home
in the Battle of Britain. To Claridge's
W.I. flat. Met Claudie, [illegible]
and 2 Czechs who were going to play
bridge. C. A. & I to party at
Soviet Embassy. Talk [illegible],
Whiteworths, Watts & R. Elliot.
[illegible] Jowitt & Pritt. Spoke to Edw
saw Lloyd George, Gen. de Gaulle.
Spoke to Sinclair. Soviet [illegible]
[illegible]. Missed 6.45 train [illegible] 7.15
& caught up 6.45 at [illegible] and
got home as planned. Late dinner.

up. W. S. [illegible] in water F. A. Apra[illegible] Sunday, tab. Winding day

wound ~~Saturday~~, November 8 clocks.
Moved big pot of chrysanthemums
into sitting room. Got out cider.
Mr & Mrs Maggiotti down for the
day. Stood in street for Armistice
service by memorial cross.
Got for walk along Rackham
Road in aft. Talked to Luke's
Mathias to lunch. Filled Grille
bags with earth with [illegible]
[illegible]. Mr Mathias & Mr
Puckett came to look at garden
and I took them all over the
place. Talk in sitting room
with G. & A. and they left at
4.30 before tea. Got down
[illegible] had blazing [illegible] in
the [illegible]. Tea. Talked to
Mrs Scarland about Mrs
Williams. Bath. Bed[illegible]
After dinner talk Mr Williams
all [illegible] over trouble
caused by his going away on
Friday. Mr Davies [illegible]
Talk A. about her coats.

Ch Williams and then after the [illegible] papers

~~Sunday~~ Monday, November 9

~~[22nd Sunday after Trinity.]~~

A. left 8 o'c train. Fa
Told John to get d
[illegible] application witnessed
tell Charley to sell mica as we
cannot get any offers for them
Tell Mr. Sandford to remember
there are 3 s enlarge to one Williams
Tony & Cecil at Station. W. John
Huntington. Started letter to
Charles [illegible]. Young
Victor Jones at office starting
work and a 15 year old girl
named Sherry whom I engaged to
start tomorrow. [illegible] Oasis
Club. It seems to me that Ned
Rutgers is getting gaga. Talked
to Chris Reinhold about [illegible]
[illegible] Foster and tried him
about our visit [illegible] L & M.
Jones Clark for death of Mr. Jones.
To Mrs Pall and [illegible] Chinese
[illegible]. Dalton [illegible]
[illegible] front [illegible]. Signed letter
left Mr. Jones about typewriter
[illegible]. Home 5.30. [illegible]
[illegible] at Clerk
[illegible] after dinner

Misty, Tuesday, morning much quite
chilly, ~~Monday~~, November 10 – Ch. down
[illegible] Jackson [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Case. Tel. fr. S.A.T.
call from Barrett, invited
with Zoe [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible], Carter Ath.
talk w. Bonham. Carter &
call. Chas. whiskey & gin left
on Sat. Left with [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] at Mrs Pallis
and [illegible] O's [illegible], re-
[illegible] at Camp [illegible].
Brown [illegible] away [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] now.
Signed letters, but a great
flock of bills. Home 5.30
Cold and blew with a stiff
[illegible] walking home. Walked
through Garden to see progress
on [illegible] & [illegible]. After dinner
Mrs S. brought in [illegible] [illegible]

Cold and misty with fog [illegible]

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, November 11

This [illegible] [illegible] like [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible]

Went on my letter to Charlie Brandegee. C. [illegible] to A's flat. Christina [illegible] who says things are kept [illegible] lighter. Measuring chapters & tab. [illegible] Smith. A. having luncheon with Antoinette. A. having luncheon with Aileen & Marguerite. I had luncheon with Cousin Helen at Frascati's. Mabel [illegible] in Wales with a lot of [illegible]. Office. Dictating. Call fr. Arthur [illegible] who wants a job in publishing. Dictated and signed letters. Talk went. Bad fog. Left office 5.30. 35 bus to Welbeck and arriving 6.8. Met C. & waited in cold and fog till 7.10 when taxi came & then we got into [illegible] crawled out to London but [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] got to [illegible] at 4 o'c [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Cold and misty but getting lighter
New [illegible]
Thursday,
~~Wednesday~~, November 12
W. Lefty Outram, Charlie wounded
with [illegible] in hands after W.
Charlie's telegraphed. David Haig
Thomas with his wife jumped &
up an army car & stopped me
at Gr. Russell St. It was great
treat of Commandos. Office
usual routine. Left. Stopped
[illegible] Anderson to [illegible]
Bought medicine cupboard
for A. at Peeky's [illegible]
[illegible] Called Dr. Beaumont
about his complete Ralph
Book. Tel. A. only a little
fag but took early train
by 5.4 as a precaution. Slept
to Sutton. Read paper. Pat's
[illegible] brochure on [illegible]
Psychological Warfare. Home
about 7 o'C. Brought back
raspberries and [illegible]
for C. After dinner [illegible]
papers and played [illegible]. Early
up to bed at 11.30

Misty Friday morning with
~~Thursday~~, November 13
sun coming
out and in all day. Breakfast
9.30. Out. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
finished with leaf. Looks very
well. Picked up apples for Mrs
S. Took [illegible] at [illegible] digging
[illegible] dead bracken. Explained to
[illegible] that having taken up leaf from
[illegible] p. [illegible] could not [illegible]
any more time to [illegible] [illegible]
to let him go to helping [illegible]
[illegible]. Chapel boundary [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible]. Charley [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] vegetable
garden [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Started
cutting out dead wood from [illegible]
[illegible] of lilacs. P. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for Mrs Sealands house,
P. to have given no [illegible]
to market because [illegible]
could not get food for
them. After lunch, worked
all afternoon pruning lilacs. Tea
Nothing has been done all day
Pleased relief. Read [illegible] Psychology
after. Bath. [illegible]. Read
papers. Bed 11.30

Saturday, Tel. Ellison about anthracite.
⊙ [illegible] ~~Friday~~, November 14 [illegible]
up 8.15. Card wi. our coming
out. To Square for pay
envelopes & stamps. Met
Margiotta boys with [illegible]
Made up wages and paid men.
Got particulars of accident expenses
for John for Insurance. Humphrey
& Newell making good progress on
wall. Told John to start stoves
in our hut on Monday. Spoke
to Mrs Williams about stove in
cottage. To square wi. G. & got
Guinness at Black Horse. Stopped
at Mr Goldsmiths and bought
counterpane and [illegible] shade
mended umbrella. After lunch got
out again and glass plate for A's
medicine cupboard. Raked
leaves and picked beans for
chicken food. Newell & Morris
pollarding limes. Gave Newell
apples I had picked up. To Mr.
[illegible] wi. G. & discussed places
to plant Catalpas and limes. Tea
and soup. A. arrived late after
dinner. Talked. She has done her
hair with a veil behind. Much better

Up 8. o'c. Sunday Put on old clothes
wound ~~Saturday~~, November 15 clocks
before breakfast. waiting for G.
afterwards filled Gruffi's box
with fresh earth. Church
bells ringing, but ours [illegible]
rung again. [illegible] helping
to dust [illegible]. G. & I to church
Thanksgiving service. Good
walk along Peckham Road.
She admits that her hip has
[illegible] in a limp. But I believe
walking will cure it. After
lunch I mixed ashes in Gruffi's
earth. Talked to C. about
[illegible] bottle etc. in their bath-
room, and suggests ordering
cupboard etc. I came [illegible]
[illegible]. C. is about. I out
and around a [illegible]
[illegible] is good for [illegible]
Then cleared up furniture in
my [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
after tea started to unpack
[illegible] [illegible] before dinner.

A. back Monday 7 o'c train, still has cough.

~~Sunday~~, November 16

Dressed early. John started hall stairs. Took [illegible] kindling wood. Got out [illegible] drawing room & studied for [illegible] in painting. W. [illegible] in evening. W. B. Matthias started letter to Mantyla. T. J. A. & W. can only supply 7 bottles of cider & only 1 dozen [illegible]

~~23rd Sunday after Trinity.~~

[illegible] Office dictating. Talk West. Lunch with [illegible] at Club, Jacobsen [illegible] about Clark. Captain Bairnsfather called us. Boat [illegible] West. Miss Austin [illegible] Mr. Culbreath, Carol [illegible] [illegible] Paley. Chamber [illegible] Office signed letters. Miss Smith called this A.M. Mr. & Mrs. Mark Bonham Carter looking very fine in [illegible] Quacks in [illegible]. He is on [illegible] [illegible]. 5.30 home. West [illegible]. Letters to Mantyla and [illegible] [illegible] on the Argument. After dinner [illegible] & [illegible] & finished quilt

Chasly Tuesday Looked at eyes &
gums ~~Monday~~, November 17 [illegible]
& type for land-ship car [illegible]
C & I. W. [illegible] 7.10. [illegible]
[illegible] letters to [illegible].
W. C. 4 Actions by foot-walk
carrying [illegible] office
D. elected Mr. C. T. O. [illegible]
Asquith's [illegible] at [illegible]
house in palace. Cabinet [illegible]
Sonder and Vivienne. Mary
[illegible] to [illegible]
parents Walker [illegible] Madeley
the daughters. Eddie Marsh
Molly and Mr. [illegible] MacLeod
Angela Thirkell Lady Oxford
[illegible] Jamie's [illegible]
[illegible]. Mary [illegible]
S. A. [illegible] came [illegible]
[illegible] Henry Wyndham
[illegible]. Signed letters. Robin
Darwin getting up over [illegible]
[illegible]. W. Edward Wyndham
[illegible] Henry [illegible]. Home [illegible] C. 5.30

W

Mildes Wednesday morning and I
[illegible] ~~Tuesday~~, November 18 [illegible]
[illegible] last night. I have been
so cold in the night. [illegible] Mathieu
at station. Read & annotated new
letter to [illegible] W. Robin
about large [illegible] but many
come in. Lunch 12.15 at
little Russell Pub. 12.54 to
Bromley South. Called Mr & Mrs.
S.A.T. M seems extraordinarily
better. Tea & talk. [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] questions in
Barnsfield Wood Road. Back by
7.30 train from Bromley South.
Read "Hostages". Caught 5.4;
Met Evelyn in train when I
went forward after [illegible] Sir
Francis [illegible] for M.E. when
[illegible] to be more or less in
charge of Civil Administration
with [illegible] & Eastern [illegible]
[illegible]. Talked [illegible] [illegible] [illegible])
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on [illegible]

Thursday
~~Wednesday~~, November 19

[illegible] his wife had a cold [illegible]
night catch, and upon [illegible]
[illegible] to have cold sensations
[illegible] & [illegible]
took lozenges. Talk [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]. Letter fr
Chapel Solicitor [illegible]
permission A. and [illegible] all in a
straight line. Went in w. letter
to Martyn. Office. Dictated. [illegible]
[illegible] table and [illegible] left
12.30 when Mrs C. telephoned
But when I met A. at Claridge
after [illegible] in at Symonds' [illegible]
[illegible] me at table after [illegible]. A.
in [illegible] coat & [illegible] &
[illegible] looked charming & [illegible]
[illegible] to her [illegible]
admiration [illegible]
But [illegible] did not [illegible]
[illegible] McNeil & Michael Arlen
to Franklin & [illegible]
necklace for A's 21st birthday
Got cigs, [illegible] for C. at [illegible]
[illegible] Saw [illegible]
[illegible] necklace, [illegible]

Friday
~~Thursday~~, November 20

Ambulance. Better but stayed in bed. C. telephoned to John Wyndham to give V's message coming to see him. Letter Parcel from [illegible] [illegible] pureed [illegible] milk. Smoked and [illegible] [illegible] for shaving. Wrote cheque to [illegible]. Talk [illegible] about [illegible]. Rested 11 – 11.45. Read Times and New Statesman. Delicious lunch with Guinness. After lunch finished letter to Martyn. Rested. Tea. Clarissa called up and had long talk with C. Had heard from John of Violet's telephone [illegible]. It seems she told John she would not let him come to Colonial office nor would he have luncheon with her as he was having luncheon with his parents but she said he would sleep there after all at [illegible]. Rested. Talk. C. She feels depressed about her garden. Dinner and C. came up & we talked and smoked. She went down to hear the wireless [illegible]. [illegible]

Friday, November 21

Throat better; C. has had a chill and stayed in bed all day. Posted 3 maps signed for [illegible] in Baltimore. Sent [illegible] down to Stores for [illegible] money, and made up envelopes which I gave him to distribute. C. is pleased with her clock. Started letter to Ellen [illegible] before luncheon and finished it in the afternoon at 3.30. Read Times. Rested. Tea. Read "Hostages". Upset by hearing [illegible] the regular sycophant [illegible] of C. under their [illegible] Dr. M. [illegible] and other members of the household with her deprecatory laugh — a [illegible] snake. After dinner read "Hostages". Worried at the possibility of being called in night for Air Raid warden duty in the [illegible] call. Worried over [illegible] [illegible] but mostly about C.

Sunday, ~~Saturday~~, November 22

Bath Told Nanny [illegible] in bed until 11 - but breakfast in "Honeymoon" bed! Still excited and strained but left not perceptibly worse. Scene wi. E. because she said she was ridiculously red and ugly as she got before her shower. Dressed and she and I made up and went out together - Looked at Chapel window and told Charley to clear away bench - to the straight line which was plain as [illegible] day. Filled Cuello box wi. selected [illegible] - Got walk to [illegible] and met Alfreda riding bicycle in her new blue coat looking becoming [illegible]. Had went out with her & Tikki & Marilyn last night. Mark and his mother had lunch wi. A.M. who talked of [illegible] Mark's glass [illegible] in his hand he was so frightened [illegible] to [illegible]. After lunch wr. draft letter to Chapel selection.

~~Sunday~~, November 23

~~[24th Sunday after Trinity.~~

Cal] At | Monday, after heavy frost. 1, up by [illegible] 8 o'c. [illegible]. I slept well & happy [illegible] night. Read Hostages [illegible] to Victoria. To Chemist [illegible] & bought Breast [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] changes [illegible] through [illegible]. Read letters; [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Darwin packet. Dictated & finished at 20°C. Lunch Kelly Russell St. Pub. Signed letters. Talk Mr West. Says Pollinger reports applications for Hostages for among London publishers. Gave Mr Brewer £2.10.0 for his R.C. Priests' charity for bombed people. Home by 5.4 train stopping at A's flat and leaving two [illegible] oranges. Just caught train. Could not sleep in train but rested to Sutton. Read Hostages. Strong sea scenes. To bed as soon as I got home. E. came up after dinner and talked of Italy's fall for Greece. Dakar at Algiers [illegible]. E. came up at [illegible] in siren. We [illegible] went down. I read Hostages.

~~Monday~~, November 24

Got up Tuesday at 7 intending to go to Rumsen-hut – as I dressed I realized soreness in my bronchial tubes and decided to stay in bed. C. telephoned to office to give message to Miss C. to cancel my luncheon with Clarks & Fabian Smith and to tell Mr Went to accept Seymour's "Hostages". Read papers and then read "Hostages" under [illegible] elimination from each [illegible] as I liked. After lunch went on till C. went to rest. Then I tried to sleep but couldn't thinking of C's subservience to Nannie. When C. came up she limped so badly that I said it was ridiculous and went away angrily. Worked on Hostages. C. came up after dinner and we talked of this plan [illegible]. Then she said something [illegible] was silly and I said why was she so slight to Alfreda and one of so polite to Nannie. Then burst out with all my disappointment

Cold Wednesday, damp day.
Bronchitis ~~Tuesday~~, November 25 condition
better but feel worse. Slept fairly
well. C. came in early after dressed
very cont. She tel. Am. Scty. to ask
if she could bring Louis Starr
instead of me. Letter fr. Mrs Cook
wr. Thursday fr. A. Says she has
asked Father Wyndham for
Sunday & Louis Starr has asked
himself. Talk C. who tel. Am.
Scty. — all right to bring Louis
instead of me. W. tel. Dr Myers
about his trip wh. [illegible] [illegible] is
going well at last. C. tel. A.
Louis not in London so may ask
Philip. W. & H. W. Dodd about his
[illegible]. After lunch sun came
out. Asked Mrs Garner for
tests about [illegible] but didn't
find much. Worked on Hostages. W.
weak in [illegible]. Mrs [illegible] [illegible]
a little fever. Tea & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] & we talked [illegible]
worked "Hostages". Dinner Chicken
breast & apple sauce. C. tried to tel.
A. but out w. Anne. Talk about
a possible party on her 21st birthday
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, November 26

Soreness in chest and feeling. A [illegible] Cut bath & exercise. After G. up to London 9.18 Letter fr. Jimmie, Ben an army doctor in New Orleans. Read papers. Seems great hope for Russian Victory. Tel. Spiker about my jacket. Had Horlick's milk at about 11 o'c. Started taking my regular cough medicine which I always try to keep a bottle in reserve. In bed at 12. My chest looser. Could I have slept in a draught last night. Worked on Hastings. Before & after lunch. Rested but didn't sleep 3-5. Woodward out and Jimmie brought tea - nothing to eat. Worked on Hastings. G. home at 7. My place empty at Thanksgiving luncheon, but C. & A. found it quite pleasant! C's limping makes her utterly unhappy. She sat with me after my dinner of milk toast.

~~Thursday~~ Friday, November 27

About the same as yesterday but chest pushed teeth lens sore. Bath ex. but with window closed. Hope not bad for me. Changed ~~to~~ one [illegible] but Wednesday, making it seem better. Rain. E. worried at not receiving word from Fr. her mother. Jessie has given notice. Gave her wage cheque. W. copying for 1 hr. Jacket. Didn't feel so well evidently have fever. Potato and prunes for lunch. Finishing Jacket. Tried to sleep 2-4 but [illegible] they were but tired [illegible]. Washed and changed, dear [illegible] nearly and ate [illegible] and worked on note to Mrs Carr and letter to N. West. G. came up and we talked pleasantly. Tea + nothing to eat. Worked on [illegible] and G. came up. talked until dinner time. Only dip-toast. G. came up and talked, about Uganda. French fleet scuttled at Toulon.

[illegible]

Felt Saturday better this morning

~~Friday~~, November 28

[illegible] + [illegible] [illegible] gone. Puck [illegible]. G. my bad and [illegible] so when I asked her not to walk with a stick!! Had bath ex. as usual. Quarrel with Mrs [illegible] about not giving me a clean bath towel. She tried to insist - but I said one a week was enough. John got me [illegible] [illegible] and I made up pay envelopes and gave them to G. to distribute. Read papers. Tom in their victory home got [illegible] of Stafford Cripps. [illegible] Frances [illegible]. W. letters to [illegible] [illegible] - one to Cong. Burke [illegible] who had asked for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Cressida. G. to [illegible] [illegible] after lunch. I worked all afternoon on [illegible] and finished after tea. [illegible] arrived after 3 o'C. A coming later. John [illegible] not coming. Rested in dark. A. arrived. Med. [illegible] [illegible] them [illegible] room. After dinner

Felt no Sunday nerves. Breakfast
in bed. ~~Saturday~~, November 29 Dressed + read
[illegible]. A. sat with me and we
read papers. Finished + read
A. sat with me a little. Had
her hair down, looked lovely
well. Dressed and came down
Luncheon in sitting room.
Read T. L. Sup. [illegible]
before and after lunch. N. C.
left no grey matter. Dusted
and looked at Chapel and
lamp and [illegible]. Mrs.
Little has [illegible]. She sup-
[illegible] a [illegible] with rhubarb
and asparagus. Wound clock.
Back to bed. Stamped insurance
card. Did household accounts for
November. Rested after tea.
After dinner started letter to
[illegible] + Change about Jessie Mrs.
kitchen maid who wishes to leave.
Talk Mrs. Scarland about Jessie.
A. got me big envelope to send letter to
Miss Crust. Slept well late at 11.
Read under Red Lamp Stand.

Louie, Monday, & A to London

~~Sunday~~, November 30

8 o-c train. Breakfast in bed
Read Churchill's speech. Must

[ST. ANDREW'S DAY

[~~Advent Sunday~~.

admit he is doing all possible as
Tory P.M. It would weaken leaders
if he were to admit the revolution
that is bound to come after war.
Broke my cracked basin. Dressed &
down stairs. Put broken basin
on heap of rubbish to be taken
away. Got out another fr. cellar
& stairs. C. watching Leslie at
work, I walked to Black Horse.
Mrs Jackson has no brandy for
Xmas pudding this year. Afternoon
in sitting room by fire. Cissy –
telegram for right from fields to
"On track" Harold Macmillan. W.
letter to him & letter to Harold which
I will have typed tomorrow. T.d.
Mrs Mead coming up by later train.
Saw Mrs Williams about getting her
rent. Saw Humphrey & Newell about
wood & Charley about garden. Rest
in bed 3-5. My accounts & extra exp.
for Nov. C. came up to see me. Dressed
for dinner in sitting room & then up to

Tuesday ~~Monday~~, December 1

woke at 6 as usual and dozed till 7. Had my apple & orange for Woodward. Shaved and bathed etc. & breakfast in bed. Envelope fr. Mrs C. with letter to her fr. [illegible] about Terri's typed and Charles 8d. [illegible] & [illegible]. C. [illegible] up to London by 10.20. Haywards Station. Read Times. Dropped C. in Bond St. and [illegible] 25 bus to Tot. Ct. Rd. Got paper [illegible] & [illegible] at Phillips office. Endorsed cheques and sent [illegible] acknowledgements. S.H. to order form [illegible] back [illegible]. Lunch with Russell S. Paul. Tel. fr. John Wyndham to pay no attention to Violet's telegram about Harold Macmillan. [illegible] Vant about [illegible]. Call fr. Sidney [illegible] giving [illegible]. Signed letters. Home [illegible]. C. [illegible] had [illegible] C. [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] dinner [illegible] bed & [illegible] up 7.10 Wednesday Breakfast in bed. ~~Tuesday~~, December 2 A bit late in starting and hurrying and felt rather nervous, tho' the morning milder. W. Letter to Walthamstow Labour Exch. about Jessie in [illegible]. Office. Long talk Somervell. Call fr. Mr Potter of Wyman re [illegible] "Hustings" to print. Lunch Leo Myers Pall Mall. Left me copy of his book. Says when he was staying w. [illegible] before war, Winston said he only hoped that [illegible] Russians were as good as Paley. Call from Jean MacGibbon with stamps for me to read. Signed letters. Left at 5.4 feeling tired & ill. Dozed to Dorking. Read Times. Office good. Walked fr. station and felt so exhausted I went straight to bed with hot water bottle. Dinner in bed & felt better. Spent evening unpicking old St. Malo [illegible]

Miller Thursday, again this A.M.
night, ~~Wednesday~~, December 3 [illegible]
[illegible], Talked about [illegible] w. Mrs
Bangs's driver. Says she treats
weak vertebrae only — when we
had breakfast in bed. Got [illegible]
[illegible] by telephone but got it 5 min
ahead. Two. Tex McE[illegible] and
his stories. Lunched Tel. S.A.T.
Dictated. Lunched Carrick. Stacey
at Women [illegible] Anderson. Signed
letters etc. Spoke to Victor [illegible]
about his [illegible] and promised
him a [illegible] at ~~[illegible]~~ Niagara.
Asked him and every one to
look out for a [illegible].
Home by 5.4. Slept & Duke
felt much better than last
night. Walked from [illegible] with [illegible]
Dunning's driver. Dressed in cold
room and dinner in cold room
& felt worse. Up to bed 9.00
with hot water bottle. Read letters
and papers. Picked Tail & Tony till
1.30. Sat downstairs with Cecil
in fire lap all the evening. I felt
better but not quite right.

~~Thursday~~, December 4

Woke Friday, early from tiring dream trying to remember and went on racking my brain. Called at 8 but lay up till nearly 9. Bath etc. and breakfast in bed. Finished picking first piece of Toile de Jouy. Dressed and out to walk on Rockham Road wi. C. She fears trouble in household affairs. Mrs Jahns very grim. Lunch in sitting room. Read papers. Up to rest and slept heavily till after 4 then dozed till 5. Down to tea wi. C in sitting-room. Then started to unpick another strip of toile de Jouy. Worked on it till dinner time. Had dinner in sitting room. Egg again. No meat or fish to be had. After dinner listened to wireless news. Germans holding a bit more round Stalingrad. Then German music. C. reading with little cat on her lap. I went on with toile de Jouy & finished about 11 o'clock

Up & Saturday shaved 5-30.
Bath etc. ~~Friday~~, December 5 9. o'c.
Breakfast in bed. Lights out as
electricity turned off for repairs.
Read Jane by dim daylight. Dark day
opening with rain. Sent John
down for wages money. Dressed
and came downstairs about 11 o'c
made up wages envelopes. It
had stopped raining and I went
out and paid men. [illegible]
work coming along well. [illegible]
& moves along [illegible] S. [illegible].
John asked for a kiss because
Mr Little had told him to come
Sunday P.M. to bring in coal
I said he need not come & I would
overlook a kiss let Jan. Spoke
to Little who said it was a
mistake. Did a little picking on
quilt tails for Jerry before & after
lunch. E. had Norbert bring
his luncheon upstairs as I was
having lunch in dining room. Very cold.
Sitted in chair. Tea! Talk with S
about [illegible] 5 girls [illegible]
[illegible] around [illegible]

"Up 7.30 Sunday, so as to "stagger" the

~~Saturday~~, December 6

baths. Heard
Nannie say "Miss Hen frighten" ... lit
literally outside my door instead
of "Mummy". Breakfast alone
down stairs, wound clocks. Sat
in sitting-room & looked at papers
C. very kind. She must have had
a perfect time with Nannie.
C. & H. to church. Sat with
John & A. until 12. Out and
walked about place with C. & H.
Sherry before luncheon. Nannie
out with us and helped with
serving. Told Mrs A.M. to take
Matthews about shawl as wedding
present for Betty. She thought it
suitable but wrapping not yet
fixed – perhaps after the recess.
Talk in sitting room, up to rest
2.30 - 5.30. Down for tea. Then back
to bed. Don't feel well. Down to
cocktails & dinner & then back to
bed. C. played her records till 11.15
very good

J. & A. very damp day Monday, left by 8 o'c train
I got up ~~Sunday~~, December 7 at 7.30
Felt still very mean. Think
it may be asthma. ~~[2nd Sunday in Advent.~~
Breakfast in bed up to London
with Dorothea by 10.20.
Told John to clean stones in street
that very [illegible] [illegible] that Joan
has gone! Started letter in train
to Gerry Wellesley. Left Dorothea
at V. Station. Got two bottles
of Celtic at A & N Stores - Train
room late so got to office
only at 1 o'c. Examined
Cheques etc. Lunch Kingsway
Hotel. Dictated Mrs C. Mr Bower
came to see me about his income-
tax. Mr Somerset said it was his own
fault & he must put up with de-
duction. To Victoria by Omnibus
but G. coming alone, train 5.4.
Felt better in the train. Walked home in
light rain. Straight to bed. G. had talk
with Mrs Williams and dinner with
Mrs Scarland. Dinner in bed, milk
toast and stewed apple. Read Jean Mc.
Gibbon's Picnic. Dull but Amusing.

Got up Tuesday, [illegible] together
and Nannie ~~Monday~~, December 8 C. very late
I felt better when I started but a
draughty subway carriage soon
made me feel nervous. Then we
moved into a closed carriage & I felt
warmer. Went on with my
letter to Cary Wellesley in [illegible]
Dept. C. at Victoria and then
saw her and Nannie in Grosvenor
garden. [illegible] my 35 hrs.
Office usual routine and
dictated several letters.
Luncheon Kenilworth and then
to Dr. Ogden who said to
wait till January for my
new teeth. Signed letters and
read mss. P.M. Tel. fr. C. she
was very excited. Home 5.4
and took after Dorking to
little hunchback girl. Went
on with letter to Cary. Milk
toast & stewed apples and cake
again in bed. Read her
Bryce's book. Very good. To
sleep 11. Locked my [illegible].

Slept Wednesday well & did not mind
alone in house.
~~Tuesday~~, December 9

Breakfast in bed. Rather late &
hungry & [illegible] & felt rather ill
in [illegible]. Wonder if it is sinus.
Finished letter to Betsy Wellesley
Margaret [illegible] Burns offering
to [illegible]. She lives at [illegible]
[illegible] her about [illegible]
Stopped at A's flat & brought
along one chicken [illegible]
Train 11.45. I had left a
shirt and some [illegible] for
at [illegible] Hotel. She
telephoned fr. [illegible] when
she would [illegible] them [illegible]
[illegible]. Lunch. [illegible] Russell
spent [illegible]. P.M. signed
letters. Discussed N.Y. Agency
agreement with [illegible] Signet
and W. N.Y. T.S. [illegible] C.B.
[illegible] on office [illegible]. 5.4
train home. [illegible] back girl
came on again. A [illegible]
in A.M. & P.M. says [illegible] first [illegible]
[illegible] after [illegible] Mrs S[illegible]
[illegible]
when I spoke to her [illegible] kitchen. [illegible]
cottage all [illegible] & happy. [illegible]

Breakfast in bed. Very warm
& bright Thursday ~~Wednesday~~, December 10 singing
as I walked to station. Started
letter to Jimmie to thank him for
sending picture of R. & grandchildren
Aunt Sall, Jimmie, Ben, Sam.
Received sample page for
"Hostages" for Wiseman. Mr
Penwick helping with packing
today. Paid Dr S. tape royalty
£11.9.10 royalty for ½ year. Lunch
Claridge. C. A. & Angela
Bull. Saw Elizabeth Clyde
& two other girls in hats
Luncheon £3.0.0 Spoke to
Lady Reading about Palestine
To A & N. & got ½ bottle
brandy for Xmas party 1.1.
A. did not look at all smart
at luncheon but her Jacqmar
coat was good & her hat
passed and she looked distinguished
Signed letters. Wages cheques etc.
Met A. & 5.4 [illegible]. Waited at
Amberley Station for Nannie on 5.30
Tagore's [illegible] died on Tuesday
Nannie [illegible] & sat with A.!
[illegible]

[illegible]

Up 7 o' Friday, Fair warm South wind, ~~Thursday~~, December 11 Breakfast Annie stairs in C. 9.30. To [illegible] and [illegible] after [illegible]

[ACCESSION DAY.

[illegible] for [illegible]. Talk Mrs [illegible] about this week and health. Talk Mrs Wilson about her work. She suggested getting Jessie back. Tel. Arundel [illegible] Exchange & got Jessie's answer and Mrs. Wilson will go to see her on Sunday. Tel [illegible] about coal [illegible] of getting enough kitchen coal for Mrs Wilson to get children's breakfast in Cottage range. Nannie did not [illegible] [illegible] with me & C. [illegible] but much pleasanter atmosphere. After lunch [illegible] Mrs Stafford [illegible] and I went down to Dalmeny with a basket and brought back great load of meat. Fixed photo on the [illegible] cupboard that I had got for A. C. [illegible] went out to garden [illegible]. I joined [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]. Tea & [illegible] put up [illegible] cupboard in my room.

Saturday ~~Friday~~, December 12

Throat sensation — last night & definite sore throat the 1st [illegible] woke 6 o'c & couldn't sleep. Up 8 o'c. Breakfast w. B. Mild still day. Made medicine cupboard from wide [illegible] wire round [illegible]. Done [illegible] squares w. B for money & stamps. Made up envelopes & paid [illegible]. Cut out letter rack hand stand for Mrs Tabor: Paid bills and stamped cards. Nannie not at luncheon. Giving [illegible] upsetting and painfully affecting the [illegible] as [illegible] of [illegible]. But it is an incalculable blessing to have [illegible] my bond with Nannie broken. After lunch to village. Got aluminium basin from Mr Coldsmith and some [illegible] fr. Blackshaw. Talk [illegible] at [illegible] again as [illegible]. Sore throat worse. To bed but could not sleep - up for the end [illegible] to bed. Read altogether. A. came home & we talked about birthday party. Read papers.

Woke up Sunday, feeling & sounding
gone. ~~Saturday,~~ December 13 Up 8.15
Shaved, bath etc & back to bed
for breakfast and then rested
half asleep till 12. Up & dressed,
Made cocktails. Jakey & Viola
to luncheon ice-cream & birthday
cake & candles. Gave G. piece
of red Chinese brocade for
her dressing coat. Viola brought
honey & oranges. Nanny brought
[illegible] flowers. Very happy time.
Got out [illegible] both Castro &
cracked cider bottle. Very warm
after but [illegible] telephoned [illegible] Mr Platt
appointment to Mrs Brandt. To bed
& dozed pleasantly and restfully
till tea-time. Down to tea and
ate a good deal. Unpacked gifts
and talked to G. & A. about
party. Made Old Fashioneds.
Then up to bed and read the
Inquirer book. Seemed to get
rather stupid in parts. G. & A.
came up to see me. I don't
know how G. thinks we can
pay for party. A. to bed & G.
[illegible] to bed & [illegible] [illegible] and

Another Monday dull muggy morn-
A. back ~~Sunday~~, December 14 8 o'c. I had
breakfast in bed. ordered Xmas
tree [H.M. THE KING'S BIRTHDAY. from Smith [~~3rd Sunday in Advent.~~
Lavinia at Station. Went on with
letter to Timmie. Got [illegible] at
Chemists by St George's. [illegible]-
[illegible] & Cheques etc. -
W. Tel. McGibbon. Tel. A.
[illegible] her address of Devon
& [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
A. B. Hair cut Burgess Royal
Opera Arcade. To Toms &
[illegible]-plates vegetable dish that
[illegible] had repaired. Said [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] £1 3 5 0. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] for £9-5-0. To [illegible]
[illegible] Cassell but [illegible] his [illegible].
Signed letters. Mr [illegible]
from S. Af. [illegible] & [illegible]
Miss Bachelor and a S. African
naval officer w. E. at home.
They had come to hear his views
[illegible] telling how he never
[illegible] but he mistook the
[illegible] and was too late. [illegible]

~~Monday~~ Tuesday, December 15

Breakfast downstairs. Light rain
walk [illegible] station but
freshened by [illegible] [illegible]. Felt worse
[illegible]. Signs [illegible] chest. W. draft
letter to [illegible] about his book.
Felt worse when I got to London but
got some cough drops [illegible] & Burroughs
& felt better. Left A's watch at
[illegible] [illegible]. Gave Miss C. letter
to her to copy, & dictated a lot
[illegible] jacket [illegible] & [illegible] copies
[illegible] Talks. Lunch [illegible]
[illegible] St. Pub. To Berry's
and got 1 Port for Servants
and 8 1 whiskey & 1 gin for me.
Long talk Mr Clifford. Victoria
[illegible] home ill. Home 5:04
[illegible] in train to Dorking.
Felt ready for bed when
got home and went at once
[illegible] any dry toast for
dinner. [illegible] came up before
the [illegible] [illegible] but [illegible]
[illegible] again because [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Spent evening
[illegible] picking [illegible] any good

the Diary brought in [illegible] [illegible]
Felt – Wednesday, Mother to
~~Tuesday~~, December 16
Antrim in [illegible] 1st May. C.
Staying [illegible] to Bassett

Left G. at Victoria. Took circle
to A & N. & got a tin of Ovaltine.
Office. Vi Jones still away but
Miss Smith helping. Tel'd to
Robin Darwin & him at Ashmore.
Dictated. Cashed cheque for £10.
Met G. at Grosvenor 1 o'c & looked
at rooms. Discovered front room
that would come off [illegible]. Another
room that G. saw. We went
on to lunch at Dorchester
with Richard Martin & his wife.
She looks sadder. Back to
Grosvenor and practically engaged
2 rooms and orchestra. Found
that front room has a [illegible]
wood floor. Office. Talk with Mrs
Stanhope. Says that Dean
Inge not read in Premises.
Met G. Victoria 5.4. Drinks
& dinner & up to bed & worked &
quiet. G.

Mild Thursday, windy and Scotch
mist. ~~Wednesday~~, December 17. Fox
at station and asked him about
luggage of my car. Finished letter
to W. Sackett re. cheques to Chari-
organization. Lost my wallet full
of change or left it behind.
Sign on Phillips chemists that manager
ill and shop closed until further
notice. Endorsed cheques and signed
cheques for Christmas presents
to staff. Dictated letters including
one to Pohlmann re the German that
Frau von Nostitz wishes on Rachel
[illegible], now in Australian
internment camp with his homo-
sexual friend. Says he was arrested
from Andover St. & lost his [illegible]
going to Australia, now wants
it again. Lunch Carrick
Chief of the Fusiliers + Remington
got place made quiet at Mrs.
Parkin's for C. Signed letters.
Home 5.4. Slept heavily. It seems
that Mrs Scarland has serious
jaundice and is bright yellow
[illegible] for appointment for this occa-
sion. 8C. Dinner in dining. Short
evening knitting & quilt.

Wild Friday, & misty. Mr T[illegible]
stop. ~~Thursday~~, December 18 Mr [illegible]
carried on to-day. Home [illegible]
here. W. draft letter to [illegible]
for typing machines. To Paul.
Stopped at Savory & Moore in Bond
St. for Jenner's digestive tablets and
a bottle of tonic. Bus to Carriage
but could not get Xmas
Candle trees or elsewhere.
Office 12 o'c. Robin Dawson
could not come to luncheon today
but fixed up for next Wednesday.
Tel. A. & she says she can't come
then. Dictated. Met A. Claridge's
for luncheon. I then proposed
her with Macmillan family
party. Office back for Baker
about Stay & MacCarthy book.
Signed letters. Home 5.40 & began
~~[illegible]~~ on a gift pair of glasses & read for 2 hrs
& then [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] back to station with [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Brighton today & heard [illegible]
of [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Saturday, cloudy, [illegible] 1/2
[illegible] . ~~Friday~~, December 19 Filled
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] &
ashes. Drove to square and
got wages money. Paid [illegible]
and talked to Chumley & [illegible]
about building a [illegible]
on the car. Down to square
again w/ C. & got [illegible]
stamps and ate at Black
Forge - Took Mrs Williams about
an [illegible] for [illegible]. C. at sew
and [illegible] for Xmas tree.
After lunch started cutting Xmas
tree. Then [illegible] down to [illegible]
picking [illegible]. [illegible] looking
[illegible] but her coat & skirt
[illegible] rather [illegible]. Down to
square in light rain w/ C.
to get [illegible]. Back finished
[illegible]. Tea. Talked about
[illegible]. Did Christmas stamps.
Dressed. Made [illegible] old-fashioned
Talked about poor Elizabeth. [illegible]
at dinner. Read [illegible] papers.
up stairs and got out [illegible] for
my [illegible]. Fire & wood.

up very Sunday, late. Breakfast
10.30 ~~Saturday~~, December 20 Wound
clocks. C. went to visit
Burnetts & the Xmas tree. A. &
I set up tree, cut it into
shape & brought it into
the room. Lunch in. Nannie
present went very well
but C. never relaxed her
look of profound resentment.
After luncheon C. cut spikes &
fixed star on top of Xmas tree. Then
turned to [illegible] & succeeded
in cutting down the biggest
of the [illegible] we placed. Tired
by C. Carried back apples
& walnuts that Charles had
given us. Tea. Talked
to people after the [illegible] - dined
Cocktails made by [illegible]
[illegible] for lack of [illegible]. After
talked of party and wrote down
names of possible guests. Sat up
drinking & talking till 11.30

Mixed Monday, with wind and

~~Sunday~~, December 21

drizzle. All very depressing.
A. seen. I have ~~4th Sunday in Advent.~~ no
sense of order or theory. W.
Molly MacCarthy. Talks between
Mr Romilly & her; spoke to
someone [illegible]; instructions for
Walter Legge but he said his [illegible]
was Chelsea. Stopped at Smith's but
my umbrella not ready. Out at
[illegible] for Charles. Ev. dined Chapman
Mrs [illegible] afterwards [illegible] for
Mr Somerset. W. draft letter
to Barclay family explaining
books out of stock. Lunch
left Russell St Opp. Found
silver comb and left it to be
gilt; Cameo Corner. To Dachs
after copies of Talks in a Free
Country. Half hour; luncheon
with Sheila Chancellor. To
[illegible] about A's party.
Home 6.4 in carriage with elderly
lady. Home dressed. Apple dinner
with Archibald Michelson. Not good.

[illegible]

Rainy Tuesday ~~Monday~~, December 22 morning; to station w/ G. [illegible]. Robert Mathews & his bride (Mrs Brown) at station. Congratulations. Started letter to André Michelson & went on reading his not very good memoirs. To A. & M. Store & returned [illegible] and got a skate (pair) for [illegible]. Took Lady Ogilvy's papers in to office. What [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible]! Dictated. Luncheon with Philip Walker. He insisted that John Astor whom he likes shows Jewish traits of feature and character. Said German government [illegible] one million 000 to Times & government asked Astor to buy it. J. J. Astor asked [illegible] to advise as many McKenna and what security & Astor said, to not name of Astor [illegible] McK. said yes. Tried to buy [illegible] candles but none in [illegible] shop

[illegible]

Full moon Wednesday and change of
weather ~~Tuesday~~, December 23 cold +
fog. Gave pay cheques for men's
wages. Read Star [illegible] Nichols a
+ [illegible] [illegible]. Talk Went
who left for Xmas at 10 C.
Call by tel. fr. Mr T. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] him to [illegible]
away till [illegible] [illegible] + get [illegible]
as he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] after
war. [illegible] A. Dictated letters
Marjorie's [illegible] who had [illegible]
[illegible] + [illegible] of [illegible] 5 [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Dawson + [illegible] A.
went [illegible] to Dawson to
Agnew's + got drawing
[illegible] of Hector [illegible]
that she was giving [illegible]
Xmas. Back to office. Taken
a [illegible] cheque [illegible] got
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] A.
[illegible] for Xmas. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] 4. birthday
from 5/4. The twins [illegible]
by [illegible] + [illegible] [illegible] R. J. After
dinner [illegible]. Cheques for [illegible]

Thursday, ~~Wednesday~~, December 24

Spent morning [illegible]. Coal [illegible]. Full moon in the [illegible] west. Ma Taylor's [illegible] gave out at [illegible] [illegible] + all the bakers had to walk. Finished reading [illegible] chapters. Cleared up odds + ends in my dispatch case. W. draft card to Waterloo station apropos of lost umbrella. V. draft letter to local about [illegible]. Got umbrella that Smith has been working for me + Aunt C., will [illegible] one for Christmas [illegible] for summer use. [illegible] [illegible]. D. [illegible] letter to Baltic etc. Meat pie + ½ pt bitter Victoria + home 1.45 train crowded but got a seat in a [illegible]. Changed at Three Bridges + again got a seat in a 1st. People [illegible] no attention to classes. Home by way of P.O. + got insurance stamps. Worked on Xmas tree. B. arrived for [illegible] [illegible] A. + Brian [illegible]. Worked on tree. Cocktails, dinner + went on with tree and tied up presents up 8 o'c. Friday. Drew first & moved

things in ~~Thursday~~, December 25 N. [illegible]

and then had breakfast with others

Poor dull [QUARTER DAY. [FIRE INSURANCE DUE. day [Christmas Day.

All to church and I stayed
to communion. Worked on tree.
Sherry before luncheon but I did
not drink any and ate very
little. Cloyed with rich food and
no appetite. When G. went to
rest I went down to garden
and worked all afternoon cutting
up chestnut tree that I cut down
last Sunday. Back & moved
chairs into N. Room. Viola —
Jakey [illegible]. Then started lighting
Xmas tree. Guests began to arrive
5.30 Mrs [illegible] [illegible] Scatter
[illegible]. Mrs [illegible] & Agat child.
Plummers. Boswells. Margiotta
boys and Finch boy. Gave
H. silver gilt comb [illegible] &
patchwork quilt & [illegible] basket [illegible]
dish. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
2nd [illegible] [illegible] finish. [illegible]

Saturday ~~Friday~~, December 26

[BANK HOLIDAY.

Up late. Breakfast at 10½. Tried a little honey and tea instead of usual bread & jam & tea to try to get back my appetite. Moved back Xmas tree to give more room, and took off lower ornaments so that they would not be broken and broke most of them in process. Call fr. [illegible] & Elsie. They have no petrol & so can't take us to Watkins wedding party. Answering Xmas letters. Brian to walk on downs. I went on cutting up bits in garage. After lunch went to bed to try to reduce persisting [illegible] chills & catarrh. Rested till tea with a hot water bottle up but had only weak tea & no milk. Finished changing week days in 1941 calendars that H. gave me for Xmas. Bath & Dex. Made drinks of lemon & gin. Ate very little dinner but some of the trifle. Smells sweet. [illegible] proper & N, even as usual.

up late - [illegible] [illegible] Breakfast 1-10 -
Wound ~~Saturday~~ Sunday, December 27 clocks
Down to Grove and brought up
branches. Joined by B. & cut
down another tree - a smaller one
- with saw close to ground.
Brought up more branches.
Talked to Charley about cutting
down dead macrocarpa to free
[illegible] hedge - top & bottom of
tennis Court. Got key & looked
over apple room. Joined by A.
and Barbie going to walk. Took
out vegetable marrows that
had gone soft - for chickens.
Gave [illegible] [illegible], orange pippins
[illegible] - Major [illegible] and back
3 to [illegible]. Curious clogging
feeling in mouth & no appetite.
Ate only a little broccoli [illegible]
for lunch. Spent afternoon cutting
up wood and bringing up branches
to yard. Ruth & Alice & B. [illegible]
helped me pick up apple [illegible]
for [illegible]. Sat by fire in sitting
room. [illegible] Matthew [illegible] his
Captain. [illegible] to [illegible] & Mr.
[illegible] daughter [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Monday,
~~Sunday~~, December 28

[1st Sunday after Christmas.

A. left at 8 oc, up late + breakfast 9.45 Brian left at 10.15 for S'hampton. G. had a talk with me after seeing Mrs Scaland and said the woman was evidently ill and we must let her go for a months holiday as the doctor ordered. Shall I get Mrs Lucken to find other homes for the two dears for a month. What shall we do for a cook etc. I said I would try to get a temporary cook. Spent morning and afternoon telephoning and sending replies, and finally got the promise of a Mrs Peters who will come on Saturday. Arranged for Mrs Tabor + Mrs S to leave then. More appetite for lunch. After I had settled Mrs Peters changed Cecilia's tray. Studied walk with C, for Humphrey's most [illegible], Milk in only tea but [illegible] toast. Bath. Norman at dinner. Talk

[illegible]

Up 6:50 Weather Cool and fair

Tuesday

~~Monday~~, December 29

Took up [illegible] to Mr. West. Worked on letter to Andrés Mickelsen about his book. To A & N & left empty bottle and the bag. [illegible] office. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Got some 3 syrups some. Dictated a few letters. To A. & N. & got eggs — and [illegible] houses. Back to office [illegible] & picked up [illegible] for the [illegible] Winter tales. Signed letters. Worked on Andrés Mickelsen book. [illegible] Mr. West his [illegible]. [illegible] has been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] home [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] LIVER PILL

Wednesday
~~Tuesday~~, December 30

Very cold walking to station but dry and energetic my usual coupé seat. W. fetched for me [illegible]. Worked up Andrei Michaelis MS. Call fr. Mr Hardcastle and gave him Robin Darwin's design for Wykes table. Call fr. Mrs Ernest Newman with illustrations for [illegible] Nights. Met Mr & Mrs Clark at Claridge's for lunch. Left them [illegible] to a Manager at Reuters and suggested a book on Foreign Office Policy. To Franklin's and got Brazilian topaz necklace for A.'s 21st birthday. Back to office and met Molly MacCarthy and planned new anthology of Bernard's essays. Signed letters. At 4.15 finished up at office and home by 5.30 in [illegible]. Nice family & boy who lost [illegible] jacket. Home for [illegible] at [illegible] after dinner [illegible] letters. [illegible]

Mild again Thursday walk to station
w/, Miss ~~Wednesday,~~ December 31 Bruder-linger. Read draft letter to Andie
Read Sarakin's "Many Stories" [illegible]; Good but for those fed for adding [illegible]. Gave Miss C. letter to Andie to type. She spent a long time hunting for Gregory autobiography. Gave Mr West Sarakin's book to try to import 100. Long call from [illegible] Burgunder about a life of Lady Gregory. To Frascati's but my friend left. Same at both Rupert St. Pub. Then tried Holborn Bar and got lunch. Nellie transferred to other department. Read Gregory letters and found one I might use material in a biography. Home 5.30 bringing bag 1 of cider bottles, 1 [illegible] Anderson & Phillips at P.O. Mr Head and his girl brought me home in his car. After dinner showed C. tape [illegible] which she thought beautiful. [illegible]

Memoranda for 1942

Jan 13 '42 W. Aunt Ruth & card 27.1
" 19 " W. M-in-law
" 26 " W. Lady Calum C.-S.
" 27 " W. Helen Granville Barker
" 27 " Card wi. A's Court [illegible] Cantuar.
" 28 " W. J. L. Huntington
" 30 " W. M-i-law Dr. Ape's
Feb 12 " W. Cousin Georgie
Jan 20 " W. David Hen Tingham sending cards
Feb 10 " W. Lorenzo
Feb 17 " W. Cissy Wheatley
Feb 22 " " M-in-law
Mar 2 " " M-i-law
Mar 4 " " Cousin Sarah Buckley
Mar 9 " " C. Lumsdaine

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March 12 M. i. law
" 17 Ellen Endicott
" 18 C. S. Butler
" 19. Catharine away picture A. & P. saving
" 20 C. Lansdowne
Apr M-i-law, Mar. a/c
May 6 M-i law Apr a/c
" 14 Marilyn Skinner
June 2 M. i. law May a/c
10 J. L. H.; 12 C. Wellesley
June 23-26 Marilyn Skinner
June 29 Henrietta Aug 24 M.-i.-law
July 6 M. i. law
Aug 25 J. L. H.
Sept. 5 Marilyn S
Sept 10 M. in law
" 15 Marilyn S.

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Sept 28 Martyn S.
30 Cousin George
[illegible] Catherine
Oct 1 Christy Brother
" 13 Martyn S.!
" 21 " "
" 15 Lady Coburn
" 2[illegible] Lady Coburn
" 19 M.in.law
" 29 Rita
Nov 3 M-in-law
5 Louise Brentwood
9 John Huntington
9 C. Lansdowne 5 11
12 " "
12 Lady Coburn

Nov 16	Martyrs S.
21	Emmanuel Long
Dec 7	G. Wellesley
10	T. L. H.
16	H. B. H.
18	M. P. St. A. H.

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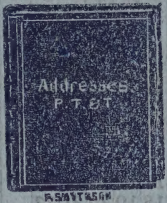

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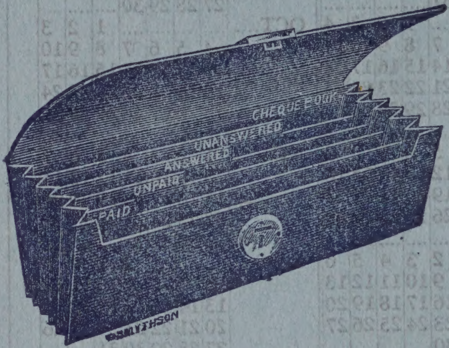

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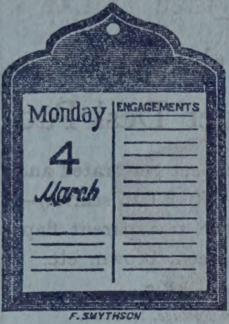

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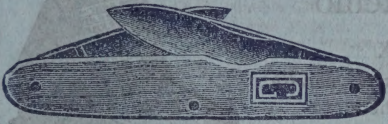

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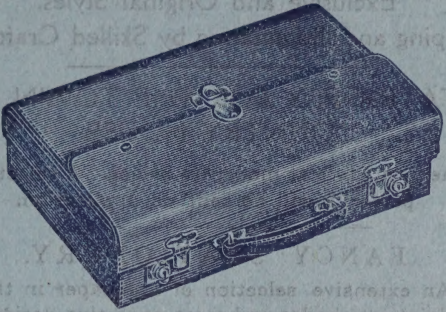

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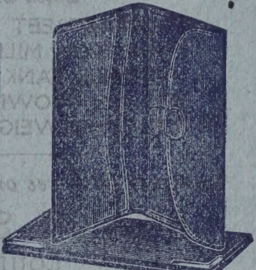

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